



Manifesting Freedom, Equity, & Justice for All

Springfield NAACP: 50th Memorial for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
2018 Yearlong Commemorations: Service, Education, & Celebrations

Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?



MLK 50 1968 - 2018

The Golden Gathering
Wednesday, April 4, 2018, 5:45 – 9:00 pm
The Springfield Art Museum

Let Freedom Ring: Wednesday, April 4, 2018, to commemorate the 5 decades since Dr. King's passing, please ring bells 5 times, one second apart, at 6:01 pm (e.g., RING, 1 one thousand, RING, 2 one thousand, RING, 3 one thousand, RING, 4 one thousand, RING).

The Golden Gathering: The framework is Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s last book published in 1967, "*Where Do We Go from Here: Chaos or Community?*" The crowning event examines the American Civil Rights Movement from past foundations to current mobility and grassroots organizing; and, exploring how new Civil Rights Movements are working through justice and peace to achieve positive social change. Illuminating MLK 50 is a cache of cultural-, social-, and civil activities including moderated discourse and storytelling; performing arts of original spoken word, music, plays, and liturgical dance; and, a visual art exhibit of creative pieces based on community artists (of all ages) interpretations' of the framework.

Partners: Drury University, Faith Voices of Southwest Missouri, Great Southern Bank, Missouri State University, Ozarks Technical College, Penmac Staffing Services Inc., Peoples Meet and Greet, Southwest Missouri National Organization of Women, Springfield Art Museum, & Springfield-Greene County Library District.

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True peace is not merely the absence of tension; It is the presence of justice.
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.