

19th Century African American Holiday Traditions at the Old Courthouse

December 23rd, 2006 12:00 pm-3:00pm

12:00 pm—1:30 pm Junkanoo Festival

This festival celebrates Junkanoo with story telling and dancing, followed by a costume workshop for children and adults.



1:30 pm - 2:00 pm Buffalo Soldiers Frontier Traditions

Ed Bailey portrays an 1860 African American soldier who tells of Christmas on the frontier.

2:00 pm - 2:30 pm Mary Robinson and Grant Family Holiday Traditions

Carole Shelton portrays a slave of Ulysses S. Grant and shares her stories of many Christmas' with the Grant family.

2:30 pm - 3:00 pm New Hope Baptist Church Choir

This local church choir will sing traditional Christmas songs to close out the day of events.



The Historic Old Courthouse, located at 11 N. 4th Street, St. Louis, Missouri, is free and open daily from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and is closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day. For additional information, visit www.nps.gov/jeff, or call 314-655-1700 weekdays, or 7-1-1 Voice/TTY Telecommunications Relay Service.