



Sutro Library Exhibit

Juneteenth and the U.S. Civil War: Images and Pamphlets from the Collection

“The people of Texas are informed that in accordance with a Proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free.” – General Order No. 3

On June 19, 1865, two and a half years after President Lincoln’s Emancipation Proclamation, the order to free Texas’s 250,000 former slaves was given by Union General Gordon Granger, after he and his regiment landed in Galveston and announced the end of the Civil War. The date has since been celebrated as Juneteenth.

The exhibit explores the cultural and physical landscape of the Civil War era and slavery. Highlights include images by illustrators who braved the battlefields, propaganda envelopes issued during the war, and the public narrative of abolitionists, who harnessed the power of pamphleteering to shape public opinion.

Exhibit Hours: Weekdays 10 AM – 5 PM

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