### **Event Overview:**

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Roseville-based faith groups and Twin Cities BIPOC leaders are partnering for the first time to create the 2-day Festival for Change: Celebrating Cultural Wealth and *Togetherness*. The vision of this initiative is to bring members from all backgrounds together in order to break down the barriers that exist between our communities. In order to see change we must come together to uplift those who are marginalized and ostracized. We invite you to attend this first annual Festival for Change and help us create the Roseville we want to see.

## **Steering Committee**

#### THOMAS BROOKS

City of Roseville Equity and Inclusion Manager TIM HUNT City of Roseville Police Community Relations Coordinator **DELON SMITH** Roseville Area Schools Director of Equity and Innovation SHLYNN HAYES Roseville High School Associate Principal **RIZ PRAKASIM** Pastor of New Life Church KATHY RAMUNDT Co-founder of Do Good Roseville LEESA KELLY Founder and Executive Director of Memorialize the Movement MARTY WYATT Associate Pastor of Roseville Lutheran DIANE SELL

Director of Engagement and Care Roseville Lutheran **Averahle Dayan Dickson** Youth Leader, Elder, Chair Of Mission And Out Reach At New Life Presbytarian Church

## **Featured Events**

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Friday, September 9 5:00 - 8:00 pm · Joe Davis Band · Memorialize the Movement Display · BIPOC Food Trucks

### Saturday, Sept. 10 10:00 am - 5:00 pm

 Memorialize the Movement · Melodee Strong, Artist

 Joe Davis
 The Mighty Revivals
 Louis Alemayehu

### **Throughout the Event:**

 Churches from Roseville and other Justice groups will have information tables on Racial Justice
 BIPOC Food Trucks · And more to come!





# Friday/Saturday Sept. 9-10 <sup>Roseville Lutheran</sup> Church

# FESTIVAL FOR CHANGE 2022

rosevillelutheran.org/change

### Joe Davis

Joe Davis is a nationally touring artist, educator, and speaker based in Minneapolis. He employs poetry, music, theater, and dance to shape culture. He is the front man of The Poetic Diaspora, cocreator of JUSTmove, racial justice education through art, and author of We Rise Higher.



### **Melodee Strong**

Melodee Strong's portfolio largely consists of children's book illustration, portraiture, community outreach projects, and murals giving attention to diverse cultures, feminism, and social justice. She has completed over 60 mural and large-scale projects in the Twin Cities and Jamaica.



### **Step With Soul**

Step with Soul "ministering with hands feet" provides leadership and spiritual development for boy and girls age 7-18 years old. We minister through the Art of Stepping.



### **Memorialize The Movement**

Memorialize the Movement is an ongoing initiative to collect and preserve the plywood art that was created in response to the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis on May 25, 2020. Their goal is to create a safe and inclusive permanent space for people to reflect on the events that occurred during the summer of 2020 and ensure that we continue to help shed light on this Civil Rights movement through the murals.



### The Mighty Revivals

The Mighty Revivals, established in 2008, are the premier gospel quartet group in Minnesota. A vison of Elder Conroy Smith, the members of the Mighty Revivals span three generations. With their brand of old school and new school quartet gospel, the Mighty Revivals have one mission, Praise the Lord!



### Louis Alemayehu

Louis Alemayehu is a writer, educator, administrator, poet, father, grandfather, performer, and activist of African and Native American heritage. Louis is a cofounder of the Native Arts Circle, the oldest Native American artists organization in the Upper Midwest.

