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“VOICES OF FREEDOM: PUZZLE AT PORT ROYAL”

Puzzle at Port Royal is a new storytelling/theater piece about major turning points of the Civil War created by African American involvement. Music and story reveal how Port Royal, SC became the scene for a great experiment of inclusion and integration of people of African Descent in the American Democracy: 1861-1866, known as “The Port Royal Experiment.”

APRIL 16, 2011 - 7 PM



BABA JAMAL KORAM AS ROBERT SMALLS * ILENE EVANS AS HARRIET TUBMAN
EDDIS BROWN AS SETH RODGERS * JOEY MADIA AS CAPTAIN LUIS EMILIO
SHEILA COLEMAN-CASTELLS AS FRANCES HARPER* CONNIE PARK RICE - HISTORIAN

QUILT RAFFLE



“Puzzle at Port Royal” Traditional Charm Quilt 91'X 95"

Made and Donated by VFTE African American Quilter: Ida Murphy 2011

The Story of the Civil War Quilt...

This quilt represents the struggle to establish a new kind of American society based on racial equality and social justice in Port Royal South Carolina from 1861—1865. The charm pattern symbolizes the conflicting interests in the journey to liberation for the Freedmen and women, the United States Colored Troops, and those who supported a radical reconstruction of the South - no longer based on privilege and race. The abstract impression of motion in the puzzle pieces represents the constant movement of military and civilian support. The thrust of the blades interlock in an optical playing field. The foreground shifts to the background. The battle front also had a back commemorated on the reverse side of the quilt.

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