



Greetings from the Renaissance Movement Committee Parade Committee!

We are proud to announce the
42nd Annual Black Heritage Parade
SATURDAY, February 28, 2026

THEME: ROOTED IN RESILIENCE

Members of the Renaissance Committee are making plans for its Annual Black Heritage Parade. We cordially invite you to participate in our parade by entering a float, musical entertainment, vintage vehicle, or any other entries of interest.

To register, please complete the registration form, participants' agreement and return it with the fee as soon as possible. **DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 19th. A late fee of \$30 will be assessed to any entry from February 20-26. NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER FEBRUARY 26.** If you wish to receive a line-up number in advance, please provide an email address on your information form. Check-in time starts at **7:00 a.m.** on **Washington Boulevard at North 6th Street.** Staff will direct you to your line-up position at that time. Please check in no later than **9:00 a.m.** The parade will start promptly at **10:00 a.m.**

Applications and fees are to be turned in to the following Renaissance Committee Members ONLY! If you have any questions, please contact:

Herbert Guillory: 318-280-5580 Eva Hudson: 318-355-5558
Sherry Ray Wilson: 318-237-5949 Kenya Roberson: 318-235-4840

Entry of Interest	Entry Fee
Cars, vans or trucks	\$95.00
Floats (vehicle attached to a trailer)	\$75.00
18 wheelers	\$85.00
Marching Unit	\$65.00
3 or 4 wheelers/motorcycle (Helmet strongly suggested)	\$30.00 each (No group rates)
Horse	\$30.00 each (No group rates)
Safety Vests	2 for \$5 (Day of Parade- \$5 each)

Entries should be submitted online at Rmcmonroe.org or by mail to
P.O. Box 865, Monroe, LA 71210-0865.

FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE (NO EXCEPTIONS)!!!!

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BLACK HERITAGE PARADE CRITERIA

1. All participants are expected to perform courteously, in good taste, and with safety in mind at all times during the assembly, execution, and dispersal of the parade.
2. Music: Profane language is **NOT** allowed. The police will escort you out.
3. Children participating in the parade under the age of twelve (except those in a marching unit) must be on a float.
4. Floats: Decor should cover the tires and must have at least 2 adults walking on each side (**Adults must wear safety vest**).
5. Marching units: You must have a banner (*Each marching unit will be allowed 1 chaperone per 10 unit members.*) (**Chaperones must wear safety vest**).
6. Walkers: Orange safety/reflector vests are required for **ALL** walkers. Vests are 2/\$5.00 (PRE-SALE). \$5.00 per vest on day of parade.
7. Candy: Do not place it in the spectator's hands nor allow them to come close to your vehicle/entry! All candies thrown must be tossed to spectators over 4 feet away.
8. Tires: Burning rubber and rapid acceleration while sitting still are strictly prohibited.
9. **ALL** Cars/Vans/Trucks/3 Wheelers/4 Wheelers/Side by Sides, etc. will be inspected for the following:
 - a. Cleanliness of vehicle (overall body of vehicle AND tires)
 - b. Minimum of 2 posters with theme and organization name. Writing must be neat and visible to the parade spectators.
 - c. You CANNOT change your entry that you registered on the day of parade.

The criteria will allow the Renaissance Movement Committee to provide everyone with the best parade experience possible.

Failure to follow these instructions can/will result in disqualification of your participation of this year's parade and possibly future black heritage parades.

REGISTRATION FORM

ENTRY	Fee	Qty	Cost
Car/Truck/Vans Car Clubs: Limit 5 cars only	\$95 each		
FLOAT (trailer or vehicle connected)	\$75 each		
HORSE (No group rates)	\$30 each		
18 wheeler	\$85 each		
3 wheeler, 4 wheeler or motorcycle (No Group Rates)	\$30 each		
Marching Unit	\$65 each		
Safety Vests	2 for \$5		
Late Fees (if applicable)	\$30		
		TOTAL	

Deadline: Thursday, February 28, 2026
LATE FEE DEADLINE: February 26, 2026
NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!

Group Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No: _____ Email: _____

Number of appearances in the Black Heritage Parade: _____.

Please write a brief description of your unit in 50 words or less (this will be used as the script for our announcers): _____

List any awards or honors received by your group or organization:

Checks and money orders will be accepted. CASH and DEBIT/CREDIT cards accepted only during committee meetings.

YOU CAN ALSO REGISTER ONLINE- RMCMONROE.ORG.

Make check or money order payable to: Renaissance Movement Committee

All Returned Checks will be assessed a \$50.00 fee.

Complete and return this form to:

Renaissance Committee, P.O. Box 865 Monroe, LA 71210-0865

RENAISSANCE PARADE PARTICIPANT'S AGREEMENT

Please sign and return with payment and registration form.

1. DRIVERS: No driver under 18 years of age is permitted to operate any vehicle being operated in the parade.
2. VEHICLE INSURANCE: Each entry of interest must be covered by liability insurance for persons riding in and using such vehicle for any purpose relative to the parade.
3. PARTICIPANTS: ALL participants shall adhere to the parade/event criteria and its rules.
4. INDEMNITY: The participant releases and holds The Renaissance Movement Committee harmless from all claims for loss or damage to any properties of the participant or any person left in, on or about the vehicle, before, during and after the parade, without regard to any negligence by The Renaissance Movement Committee or its members. The participant shall indemnify and hold harmless The Renaissance Movement Committee from and against any losses, liabilities, damages, injuries, claims, demands, costs, and expenses arising out of his/her vehicle including but not limited to any and all fines, penalties, and forfeitures imposed under any federal, state, municipal or other statute, law, ordinance, rule, regulation or insurance policy provision.

Additionally, the participant shall indemnify and hold The Renaissance Movement Committee harmless for all loss liability and expense in excess of the limits of liability provided for in their own insurance policy, as a result of bodily injury, death or property damage arising out of the use or operation of his/her vehicle.

Name of Organization: _____

Committee Chairperson (PRINT): _____

Authorized Signature: _____

Contact Telephone Number: _____