

American Heritage Week

For the sixth year JSC celebrates its diverse culture



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The Lost Soul Band performs at the Gilruth Center during the grand finale celebration.

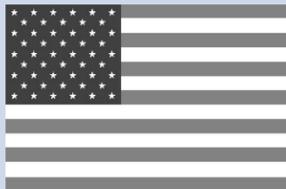
Employees celebrated their diverse heritage during a weeklong celebration held June 28 to July 2. The event provided employees with the opportunity to expand their knowledge of the rich heritage represented within the JSC team. JSC's American Heritage Committee and Team NASA sponsored the sixth annual event.

Special activities were held daily during American Heritage Week in the Bldg. 3 cafeteria. Entertainers including the JSC Town Criers and the Mixteco Ballet Folklorico Dancers entertained employees. Exhibits ranging from Apollo memorabilia to wearable art were on display.

The American Heritage Week parade took place July 1. NASA civil servants, local contractor employees and members of the community participated.

The weeklong celebration concluded with the grand finale on July 1 at the Gilruth Center. An American Heritage Week mini-parade, featuring the award-winning Houston Showstoppers Marching Band, kicked off the event. Attendees were able to view exhibits. Employees and their families enjoyed a host of cultural performances including praise dancing, American Indian dancing, and Polynesian dancing. ■

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Abraham's Tree performs in the Bldg. 3 cafeteria.



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The JSC Town Criers drive around the center on one of many floats on exhibit during the parade.



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Dancers from the Jhankar School of Dancing perform at the Gilruth Center.



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The Mixteco Ballet Folklorico Dancers entertain the lunch crowd in the Bldg. 3 cafeteria.



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Praise dancer Jennifer Ghee entertains employees at the Gilruth Center.

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A dancer from the American Indian Resource Center performs at the Gilruth Center.