



GHANA HERITAGE FOUNDATION



NEG Fest

NEW ENGLAND GHANA FESTIVAL 2024

THEME: SANKOFA;
EMBRACING OUR HERITAGE,
CONNECTING OUR PAST

INSTITUTE PARK IN WORCESTER,
MASSACHUSETTS, UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA (USA)

SATURDAY
SEPT. 7
2024



LISTS OF GOVERNMENT / PROFESSIONALS / COMMUNITY OFFICIALS

1. Hon. Ken Asafo-Adjei, Consul Designate, Honorary Consulate of Ghana -Massachusetts
2. Lt. Governor Kim Driscoll, Lieutenant Governor of Massachusetts
3. Hon Carlos K Ahenkorah, Member of Parliament, Tema West
4. Hon Alfred Obeng, Member of Parliament, Bibiani-Anhwiaso-Bekwai
5. Hon Adjei Anhwere, Member of Parliament, Atwima-Nwabiagya
6. Congressman Jim McGovern, Congressman for the 2nd District of Massachusetts
7. Senator Michael Moore, Member of the Massachusetts Senate from the 2nd Worcester district
8. State Representative Mary Keefe, Massachusetts State Representative
9. State Representative David LaBeouf, State Representative for The 17th Worcester District
10. State Representative Dan Donahue, Massachusetts State Representative
11. Mayor Joseph Petty, Mayor of Worcester
12. Mr. Jeevan Ramapriya, Executive Director, Mass. Office of International Trade and Investment
13. Mr. Tim Murray, President and CEO of the Worcester Regional Chamber of Commerce

14. Mr. Jerry Don Smith, Director, New England Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, (OSDBU), US General Services Administration
15. Ms Rhonda Aubin-Smith, District Director at US DOL OFCCP
16. Dr. Anthony Adade, Associate Vice President & Chief Information Officer, Worcester State University
17. Samuel Gebru, Professor of the Practice, Political Science
18. Barry M. Maloney, Worcester State University's 11th president
19. Mr Carl Herrin, Chief of Staff - Worcester State University
20. Prof. K. Ampene, Professor of Music, Tufts University
21. Hon Seidu Salifu, Member, Parliamentary Select Committee on Trade, Investment and Tourism
22. Mad. Naomi Dodoo, Parliamentary Clerk
23. Hon Alhaji Yusif Sulemana, PM for Bole-Bamboi

ROYAL DIGNITARIES

1. Dasebre Nana Kwaku Boateng III (Omanhene of New Juaben Traditional Area)
2. Nana Juaben Serwaa III
3. Nana Awuah Panin III, Asokwa Hene of New Juaben
4. Nana Sarfo Boateng II – Asante Mampong Ayeamehene Panin
5. Nana Esi Abaka Kakraka Adzepa (Obaahenbaa of Mfantseman)
6. Nana Abena Gyamfua II
7. Nana Sarkodie Nantwi Kankam
8. Nana Akua Boatemaa Kyekyebrese
9. Nana Abena Gyamfua II - Paramount Queen Mother of Assin Atandansu Area
10. Baffour Owusu Denteh - (Kumasi Appiadu Ankobeahene)
11. Nii Adjiri Bo Oyeo II
12. Nana Fobi Frimpomaah II. (Okomfo Anokye Fie, Akyempem Hema)
13. Nana Gyemfuah Akosa Amuam Boadeh I – (Queen Mother of Besease Keniago)

14. Kumannwu Kwasi Nkrumah Ababio (Omanhene Sefwi Bekwai Traditional Council)
15. Nana Adomaa Kyirekuaa I (Akyenpehene of Koforidua Asokore)
16. Nana Owusu Koko II (Odikro of Adura Dunkwa)
17. Nana Afi Sarpomaah I (Tufuhemaa of Abiriw, Akuapim)
18. His Royal Majesty Michael Atta-Agyei, Otumfuor's (The Asantehene Ananta Hene (Haed of
19. Armory and Security Manhyia)
20. Ohyeawora Bian Nyonwa Panyin IV -Dompim Pepesahene
21. Nana Yaa Asantewaa Amposem Brago II, Kumasi/Daban Queen Mother
22. Manye Naa Klortsoo Ajourbo
23. Nana Kwamina Amoah II – Odikro of Ajumako Onwane
24. Osabarima Owusu Baafi Aboagye III-Chief of Akyem Dwenase
25. Nana Brobbey Asotia -Worcester MA -VP Asanteman Council of North America
26. Nana Akua Afriyie- Amakyebare Ankobeahemaa
27. Baffour Kwame Kesse -Amakyebare Ankobeahene

Program Line-up

1. **National Anthems Minister - Dr. Seiwaah Kyei**
Ghana National Anthem
US National Anthem

2. **Yen Ara Asaase Ni - Good Shepherd Methodist Church**
3. **Opening Prayers**
Christian Prayer: Rev. Thomas Ofori
Muslim Prayer: Alhaji Issaka Ibrahim
Traditional Prayer: Baffour Osei Opoku - New Juaben
Nkonya Suahene

4. **Introduction of Dignitaries – MC**
5. **Welcome Address & Opening Remarks - Nana Awuah Panin III, Asokwahene of New Juaben**

6. **First Performance**
7. **Remarks**
 - **Mayor: Joe Kwame Petty**
 - **Congressman Jim Mcgovern**
 - **Parliamentary Select Committee on Trade, Investment and Tourism**

8. **Poem Reciting**
9. **Address**
 - **Ambassadors' Representative**
 - **Hon Carlos Ahenkorah**
 - **Lt. Governor: Kim Driscoll**

10. **Poem Recital**
11. **Address by New Juaben Hene Daasebre Kwaku Boateng III, Special Guest of Honour**

12. **Kete Performance by Atta Drummers**
13. **Book Launch – Yaa Asantewaa - The Warrior Queen**
14. **Performance by Various Regions**
15. **Vote of Thanks - Miss Vivian Okyere**
16. **Closing Prayer - Very Rev. Dr John Oppong Yeboah of Ghana Wesley Methodist-Worcester**



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GHANA NATIONAL ANTHEM

God bless our homeland Ghana
And make our nation great and strong
Bold to defend for ever
The cause of Freedom and of Right
Fill our hearts with true humility
Make us cherish fearless honesty
And help us to resist oppressor's rule
With all our will and might for evermore
And help us to resist oppressor's rule
With all our will and might for evermore
Hail to thy name, O Ghana
To thee we make our solemn vow
Steadfast to build together
A nation strong in Unity
With our gifts of mind and strength of arm
Whether night or day, in midst or storm
In every need what'er the call may be
To serve thee, Ghana, now and evermore
In every need what'er the call may be
To serve thee, Ghana, now and evermore
Raise high the flag of Ghana
And one with Africa advance
Black star of hope and honour
To all who thirst for liberty
Where the banner of Ghana freely flies
May the way of freedom truly lie
Arise, arise, O sons of Ghana land
And under God march on forevermore
Arise, arise, O sons of Ghana land
And under God march on forevermore