## A Black Heritage Experience

Sometimes called an adoption heritage camp, UMOJA MN and UMOJA INC. will empower trans-racial families (primarily families with black children and parents of another culture) to raise children who will have a positive black identity, be able to talk about race in an honest and open way, feel comfortable in all different cultures & handle basic skin and hair care. We will do that by providing a powerful weekend experience for the entire family, which will include child programming, adult learning opportunities, age appropriate breakout sessions and large group cultural celebrations.

The 2018 UMOJA MN camp will be June 15-17 at St. Catherine's University in St. Paul, MN.

Register at http://evolveservices.org/umoja-mn/

## **ABOUT**

In partnership with the successful UMOJA camp in Green Lake, WI and hosted by EVOLVE Adoption & Family Services, UMOJA MN celebrates black heritage in the Twin Cities Area and beyond.

## We serve

- •All types of Adoptive parents (single, married, same sex)
- •Black or multiracial children (birth to 18 and into adulthood) born in the US, Africa or one of the diasporas
- Siblings in adoptive / foster families (siblings are encouraged to attend)
- •Families still in the process of adoption
- Families actively providing foster care
- •Adoptees of African descent and their children
- And of course, extended families: grandparents, aunts & uncles, etc.

## The Experience

- Lots of laughs
- •Time with your family
- •Time socializing with old friends
- Meeting new friends whose families look like yours
- Afrocentric games and activities
- African dancing & story telling
- Interactive activities about history and culture
- •Family adult based workshops on transracial adoption
- Braiding & styling opportunities from local professionals
- •Raising Black sons and daughters: What do I do?
- Speakers who "walk the talk"
- Drumming activities
- Soul food dinner
- Learn from experts in the field of adoption, people of color & adoptees

EARLY BIRD COSTS (BEFORE APRIL 15): \$55 for ages 0-9 | \$100 for ages 9 & up