A Triumph of the Spirit

a story about the Life of Harriet Ross Tubman starring Mrs Shirley Oglesby Smith Johnson

Breathtakingly authentic, heartbreakingly sincere, and full of wittiness, this is theater that enlightens, inspires, and empowers all at once. Audiences share the life, trials, and tribulations of Harriet Ross Tubman.

"Shirley Johnson seemingly brings the character to life!"

Tubman's prayerful moments as she courageously makes her first, long, arduous, journey to freedom are unforgetable.

This intelligent, vibrant, willful, crafty, God-fearing depiction of Harriet Tubman is long overdue and is exquisitely crafted by the Oglesby cast and crew.

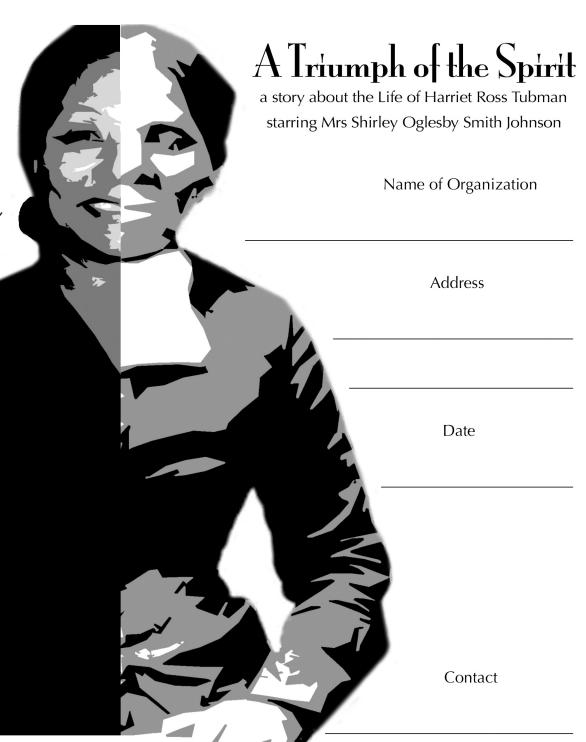
Shirley E. Oglesby Smith Johnson is the author of The Dangers of Teaching New Dogs Old Tricks An Educational Journey; Touch My Soul ... I Are Fine (Autobiographical), and Stop Teaching School...Start Teaching Children A guide to help parents & educators.

Workshops offered by Oglesby: Becoming a Gentleman and Lady; Lessons in Common Courtesy; Writing (fiction, non-fiction); Public Speaking & Performance Techniques (Drama) (for Grades K-12)

Shirley has been featured in major publications including USA Today, The Kansas City Star, The Kansas City Call, The Pine Bluff Commercial, Redbook Magazine, Emerge Magazine, and other publications.

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Mrs. Shirley E. Oglesby Smith Johnson



Harriet Tubman's life was a monument to courage and determination that continues to stand out in American history. Born into slavery in Maryland, Harriet Tubman freed herself, and played a major role in freeing the remaining millions. After the Civil War, she joined her family in Auburn, NY, where she founded the Harriet Tubman Home. At the age of 25, she married John Tubman, a free African American. Five years later, fearing she would be sold South, she made her escape. After freeing herself from slavery, Harriet Tubman returned to Maryland to rescue other members of her family. In all she is believed to have conducted many persons to freedom in the North. The tales of her exploits reveal her highly spiritual nature, as well as a grim determination to protect her charges and those who aided them. She always expressed confidence that God would aid her efforts.

Gast and Grew of A Triumph of the Spirit

From top left Soloists Sadie Cole and Tammie R. May, Actor Anthony Mondaine (Billy), Videographer Paul Smith, Dancer/Photographer/ J.Q. Sirls, Publicist/Director: Shanna Summers, Center Writer, Performer Mrs Shirley Johnson (Harriet Ross Tubman) From bottom left Music/Sound Effects: Alisha Bell,



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Act 1

Plantation Days

Old Rena

Working Time Ages 6 - 8

Field Work

Song: Swing Low Sweet Chariot

Head Injury

Song: Jesus Loves Me

Working in the Woods (Name Change)

Meeting John Tubman

Church and Preacher Brown

Song: Father I stretch My Hand to Thee

Song: I love the Lord He heard my cry

Harriet marries John Tubman

Song: All Day....

Act 2

Excape to Freedom

Quaker Lady 1

Quaker Lady 2

Song: Wade in the Waer

Escape Free Boatman

Song: Amazing Grace

Black Farmer's House of Safety

Reaching Freedom

Conclusion Statment

Harriet's Pledge for the Children

Song: Go Down Moses.