

Returning to Morris County schools in 2004-2005:

Fred Morsell in "Presenting Mr. Frederick Douglass"



For the ninth consecutive year, the Morris County Human Relations Commission (MCHRC) is sponsoring a school project featuring "Presenting Mr. Frederick Douglass," a powerful history, pro-literacy, and prejudice-reduction program by nationally acclaimed actor/educator Fred Morsell.

The assembly performance, which Mr. Morsell developed from Douglass's own writings, has inspired over 20,000 young people and adults in Morris County since 1997 with a dramatic portrayal of Douglass's journey from slavery to freedom and his messages of individual dignity and self-worth, the value of literacy and learning, and the call for equality and justice. Mr. Morsell also conducts class discussions and leads workshops for students and educators that promote self-empowerment through the principles that inspired Douglass's success in life.

The MCHRC will again provide program coordination and fund logistical support for the project. Costs to schools are \$1000 for the assembly alone or \$1600 for the assembly plus another program component (two class discussions, a second assembly, or a Douglass Scholars Program small-group scenario workshop). Educator workshops are available as one-hour (\$500) or three-hour (\$1500) sessions. Sources of school funding can include budgeted district funds, parent support groups, or designated state or federal funds (e.g., character education or Title II professional development funds).

Mr. Morsell's tour schedule for 2004-2005 is:

Oct. 12-23 · Nov. 7-20 · Jan. 9-22 · Feb. 6-19 · Mar. 6-19 · Apr. 10-23 · May 8-21

For further information, please contact Roberta Francis (973-765-0102, rfrancis@fast.net) or fax this form to her at 973-660-0766. Also, please feel free to share this information with other educators.

I would like to schedule Fred Morsell in "Presenting Mr. Frederick Douglass" in 2004-2005.

School/Organization: _____

Contact person (name, title, address, phone, e-mail):

Preferred month or specific date: _____ (first choice) _____ (second choice)