

## Virtual Ceremony to Honor West Virginia Civil Rights Day

**CHARLESTON, W.Va.** – The West Virginia Human Rights Commission (HRC) will host a virtual ceremony honoring West Virginia Civil Rights Day at 12:00 p.m., Monday, August 29, 2022 on the West Virginia Human Rights [Facebook page](#).

The event may also be viewed at 7:00 p.m., September 5 on WV Public Broadcasting's [West Virginia Channel](#). Following these presentations, the event may be viewed at any time on the West Virginia Human Rights Commission's [website](#).

Featured speakers include Governor Jim Justice, West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources Cabinet Secretary Bill J. Crouch, and HRC Executive Director Tia L. Welch. The keynote address will be given by Mr. Maurice R. Cooley, former Vice President of Intercultural Affairs and Student Affairs at Marshall University. The ceremony will also include Kanawha County acapella group Harmony Rechoired and poet Tierah Williams.

“Today and every day, we celebrate progress that has been made for civil rights,” said Welch. “The West Virginia Human Rights Commission strives to uphold the laws that prohibit discrimination in employment, public accommodation, and housing, and extends gratitude to those who continue to be advocates.”

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