What is freedom?

What's on top of the Capitol?



Quotes & Freedom

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."

~ Declaration of Independence

"We, therefore, the Representatives of the united States of America, in General Congress, Assembled, appealing to the Supreme Judge of the world for the rectitude of our intentions, do, in the Name, and by Authority of the good People of these Colonies, solemnly publish and declare, That these United Colonies are, and of Right ought to be Free and Independent States; that they are Absolved from all Allegiance to the British Crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain, is and ought to be totally dissolved; and that as Free and Independent States, they have full Power to levy War, conclude Peace, contract Alliances, establish Commerce, and to do all other Acts and Things which Independent States may of right do. And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

~Declaration of Independence

"Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

~ US Constitution, 13th Amendment

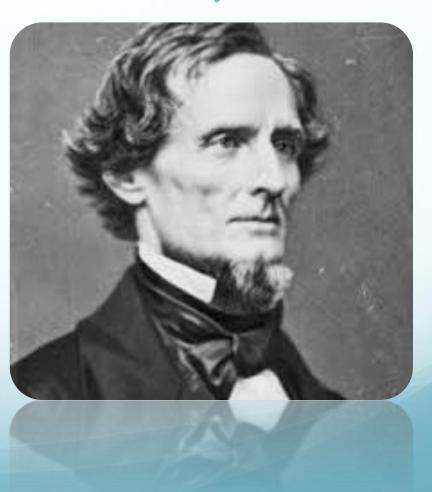
Freedom Designs WINNER Approved in April 1856

Key People

Thomas Crawford - Sculptor

Jefferson Davis – Secretary of War





Key People

Philip Reid

Clark Mills





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What's going on around this time (mid-1800s)?



How does the approaching Civil War influence the creation of Freedom?

Liberty Cap Re-Cap



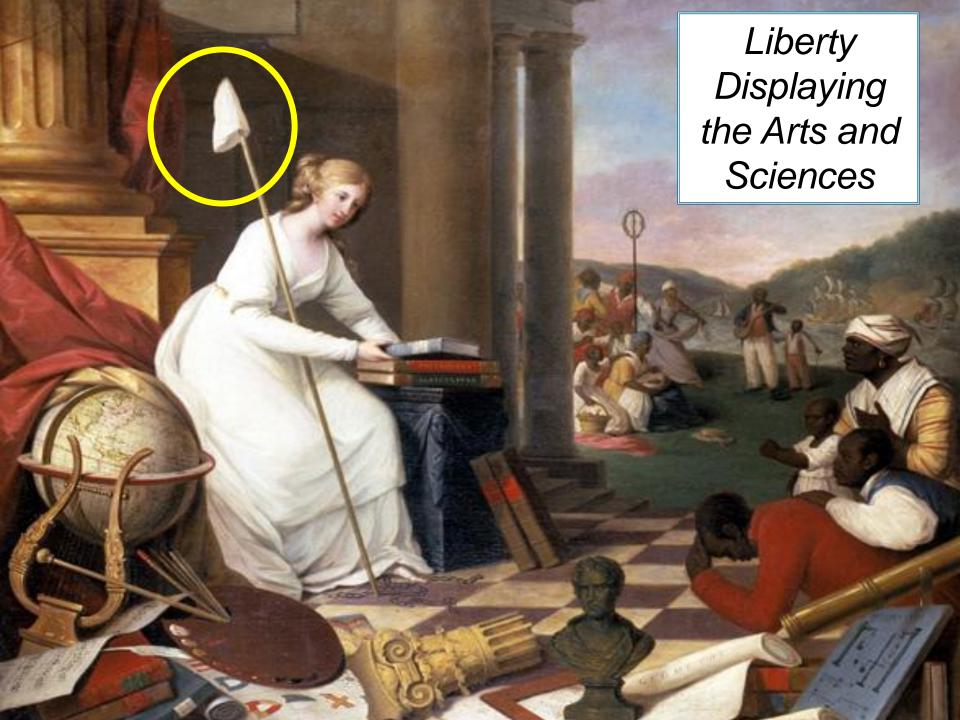


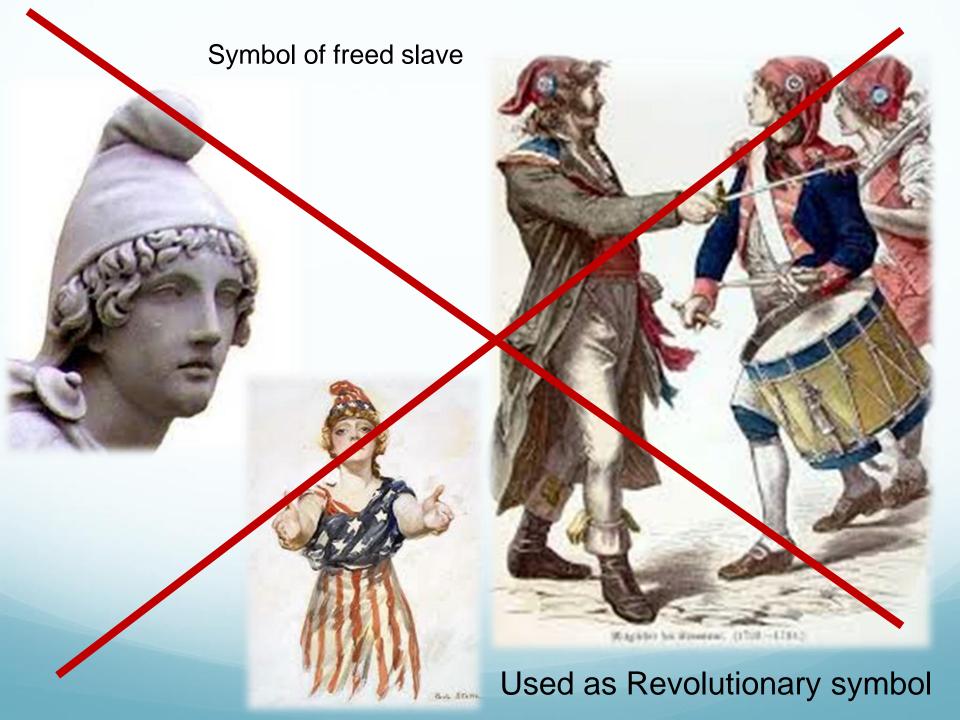
Second Design

Who do you think said this about the liberty cap design?

"its history renders it inappropriate to a people who were born free and should not be enslaved."

Jefferson Davis







The liberty cap was replaced with a helmet at the urging of Jefferson Davis.



Does this image symbolize freedom?