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8th Annual Bronzeville Week continues with events highlighting art, music and more

2020 Bronzeville Week continues with a variety of virtual events for the entire family that will highlight art, music, wellness and more. All events throughout the week can be viewed on the Bronzeville Week Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/BronzevilleWeek>. Events will also be available for playback on the Bronzeville website at milwaukee.gov/bronzeville.

“We are celebrating Bronzeville week differently this year, but I am thrilled that we can have events that showcase the rich history of the Bronzeville District and African-American community,” said **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs**. “I want to thank all the sponsors, members of the community and everyone else who has helped make Bronzeville Week a success thus far. It has taken a lot of creative thinking and a true team effort to make this become a reality.”

Starting today and taking place throughout the week will be the **Bronzeville Letters Painting** led by Artists Working in Education. This will occur on N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. between Clarke Street and Wright Street and will feature the painting of letters that spell Bronzeville. In advance of Friday’s **Bronzeville Sleepover for Education**, donations of school supplies will be accepted throughout the week, and all supplies will be distributed to Milwaukee Public Schools students in need. Donation drop-off locations include Pete’s Fruit Market located at 2323 N. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. and Milwaukee Police Department District 5 station located at 2920 Vel R. Phillips Ave. This year donation requests include masks, hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes.

At 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 4th a virtual conversation, **Meet the Commissioner: Investing in Communities of Color**, will take place. This will allow residents an opportunity to be introduced to new Department of City Development Commissioner Lafayette Crump.

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Tuesday afternoon features two art events. First, at noon a virtual **Artist Spotlight** featuring Vedale Hill will occur. Afterwards, the afternoon rolls on with **Artist Conversations with Imagine MKE: How to Get Paid Partnerships** presented by Nadeena Granville. The virtual event takes place at 2:30 p.m. The day concludes with a musical flair – **DJ Night w/ Jay B. Fresh**. The musical set will take place from 6 – 8 p.m. and feature local artists streamed live from 4th Quarter Sports Bar & Grill.

Wednesday, August 5th begins with a **Bronzeville Tour** at 12:30 p.m. The event will include a virtual tour through the Bronzeville Cultural & Arts District curated by Deshea Agee, Executive Director, Historic King Drive BID 8. **Bronzeville Story Time** kicks off at 2:30 p.m. with a reading of *Destined to Be Me Children's Book* with author Ajamou Butler. The day concludes with **Wellness Check** **Wednesday: Buy the Block** from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. The virtual event will allow for resource exploration with the Greater Milwaukee African-American ERG Connection.

On Thursday, August 6th the Milwaukee Public Library line dance class **Mind Body and Soul** will be streamed live at 2 p.m. Residents are invited to join in to get fit and have fun with instructor Nzinga Khalid. Thursday also features **Be Counted: History of the Census**, a discussion of why the Census is so important curated by LaShawndra Vernon at 3 p.m. The day concludes at 5:30 p.m. with the second **Artist Conversation with Imagine MKE: Why Storytelling is Your Most Powerful Selling Tool** presented by Stephanie Sorrina Beecher.

The full schedule of events for 2020 Bronzeville Week can be viewed at city.milwaukee.gov/BW2020Schedule. Additional information can also be found on the Bronzeville District website at milwaukee.gov/bronzeville. Bronzeville Week is sponsored by the City of Milwaukee, Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs and Historic King Drive Business Improvement District 8.