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## Community can help paint huge Bronzeville wood letters as part of Bronzeville Week art project

The towering wood letters that spell out BRONZEVILLE are in place along W. North Ave. (near N. 5<sup>th</sup> St.), and the public will again get a chance to decorate them during the **Sunday, August 7** Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival (from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.), **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs** said today.

The huge letters, **taller than the average adult**, are works of art paying homage to the rich history of artists who lived and currently reside in Bronzeville. County Supervisor **Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones** will be the lead artist at the site **tomorrow** – Saturday, July 30 – and will paint parts of the letters daily from 6 to 8 p.m. starting Monday (August 1) through Thursday (August 4). As part of the festival on Sunday, August 7, residents will have a chance to show off their artistic sides by putting brushes to the wood letters.

“People look forward to seeing the letters go up, and I am pleased that they are once again overlooking the intersection of 5<sup>th</sup> and North,” Alderwoman Coggs said. “I invite residents and families to show off their art skills on August 7th while enjoying the fun at the Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival.”

Supervisor Coggs-Jones said: “I am honored to lead this awesome cultural public art project for the Bronzeville Arts & Cultural Festival as beautification is important to all of us and we know it makes environments more inviting, because we can come together and change the way we live in our community by adding art, culture and beautification; we can change the minds of our community to keep it clean and beautified. Thank you to Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs and the Bronzeville Board, for this honor. A special shout-out to Northcott Neighborhood House too. We invite everyone to join us - it's going to be a Bronzeville Paint Party!”

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## **Bronzeville letters/ADD ONE**

The 11th annual Bronzeville Week (August 6 – 13, 2022) will be a mix of family-friendly and diverse virtual and in-person activities showcasing Milwaukee’s African-American Cultural and Entertainment district’s historically rich tradition in arts, culture and commerce. It is an enjoyable and enriching August tradition in Milwaukee that is welcoming to families and people of all ages and backgrounds. [See full schedule and learn more...](#)

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