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Bronzeville Week 2026 to include new events, returning favorites

Full schedule includes a variety of family-friendly events highlighting arts, commerce, wellness, and more

Bronzeville Week, the annual official City of Milwaukee celebration of arts, culture, and commerce in Bronzeville, **kicks off on Saturday, August 1** and will run **through Saturday, August 8**. Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs, who created Bronzeville Week and hosts the event, is delighted to announce this year's full schedule of events (**attached**) for the event's 16th year.

This year's Bronzeville Week will see the return of local favorites including: The HaRUNbee 5K Run/Walk for Healthy Birth Outcomes on Saturday, August 1; the Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival on Sunday, August 2; the Bronzeville Sleepover for Education on Friday, August 7; and the Together We Dream Bronzeville Art Walk on Saturday, August 8, among others.

Additionally, Bronzeville Week will feature new events such as the Dear Home – An Ode & Love Letter to Milwaukee Gallery Night on Sunday, August 2; Rooted 'N Natural - an indoor-outdoor community experience of open learning, confidence, and healing through natural hair. Food, music, live hair demonstrations, and more on Wednesday, August 5; and the Bronzeville Fashion Show on Thursday, August 6.

"For 16 years, Bronzeville Week has been a showcase of local art, small businesses, history and culture, and this year, like those before, we have worked to blend a variety of crowd-favorite events with new offerings that reflect the current state of Bronzeville and our city," said Alderwoman Coggs. "I hope the community is as excited as I am about the tremendous schedule of events we have lined up this year, and I encourage everyone to participate in one, or multiple, events as part of this year's annual celebration."

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2026 Bronzeville Week Schedule/ADD ONE

Bounded by Garfield Avenue to Center Street, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Drive to 7th Street, the Bronzeville Cultural and Entertainment District is wholly located in the 6th Aldermanic District.

Most Bronzeville Week activities are free and open to the public, while some require advance registration. Several events throughout the week will be held virtually or offer a virtual participation option. All virtual events can be viewed on <https://www.facebook.com/BronzevilleWeek/>.

Bronzeville Week is hosted by Alderwoman Coggs and is supported by the City of Milwaukee, Historic King Drive BID No. 8, Bader Philanthropies, ThriveOn Collaboration, area businesses, and numerous sponsors, including corporate and philanthropic sectors. For more information on Bronzeville Week and to view the full schedule of events, please visit [Milwaukee.gov/Bronzeville](https://www.milwaukee.gov/Bronzeville).

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SATURDAY AUG 1

HaRUNbee 5K Walk/Run

6:00 AM registration

7:30 AM race begins

Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive & North Avenue

nchbfinc.org/harunbee5k

The Royal Rhythm Experience (\$)

5:00 PM–9:00 PM

Summer of 85

2213 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

An evening of live music, culture & community.

(FREE to the first 20 people)

SUNDAY AUG 2

Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival

10:00 AM–6:00 PM

North Avenue between Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive & 7th Street

*Vendors, food, 3 stages of live entertainment, City Big Trucks
& The Bronzeville Youth Experience*

Empowerment Sunday

10:00 AM–12:00 PM (OUTDOOR SERVICE)

Dr. MLK Jr. Drive & North Avenue

Church Service on the Gospel, Jazz, & Blues Stage

featuring King Solomon Baptist Church, Ephesians

Missionary Baptist Church, and Bethel Temple C.O.G.I.C.

Dear Home - An Ode & a Love Letter to Milwaukee

5:00 PM–7:00 PM

America's Black Holocaust Museum

401 W. North Avenue

An immersive experience around memory, migration,

longing, return, & belonging featuring the photography

of Jalayna Muhammad

MONDAY AUG 3

Just Us and Books with Dannette Justus

10:00 AM–10:30 AM (VIRTUAL)

Bronzeville Lunch & Learn:

Leveraging Culture for Economic,

Political & Social Impact

12:00 PM

Confectionately Yours Café & Bakery

1920 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants:

How Halyard Park and Historic Bronzeville Laid The
Foundation That We Are Building on Today

5:00 PM Reception

5:30 PM Program

America's Black Holocaust Museum

401 W. North Avenue

TUESDAY AUG 4

Building Bronzeville

12:00 PM–1:00 PM

Bronzeville Kitchen & Lounge

2053 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

A panel discussion with local members of the development community.

Glow Like Bronzeville - Naturally You

*This 30 minute makeup tutorial celebrates Bronzeville by
empowering Black women to enhance their natural beauty with soft,
skin kind techniques. Because in Bronzeville, your natural glow is
power – hosted by Jadah Webb.*

2:00 PM (VIRTUAL)

Tuesday, Tacos & Games

7:00 PM–9:00 PM

Summer of 85

2213 N. Dr. MLK Jr. Drive

Game night. Music Bingo, Trivia, Chess, Dominoes

...heck, we even have Twister.

WEDNESDAY AUG 5

Bronzeville Business Breakfast

8:30 AM–10:30 AM

America's Black Holocaust Museum

401 W. North Avenue

***Registration required at HistoricKingDrive.com/breakfast**

Rooted 'N Natural

12:00 PM–4:00 PM

Allah Mode

1942 N. Dr. MLK Drive

An indoor-outdoor community experience of open learning,

confidence, and healing through natural hair. Food,

music, live hair demonstrations, and more.

Line Dancing with Lady Jai Janay

4:00 PM–6:00 PM

Garfield Avenue between Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

& Vel R. Phillips Avenue

*Learn a few popular line dances! Beginner level class,
appropriate for all levels and ages. Hosted by Jamila Carney,
also known as Lady Jai Janay of Outsideington.*

THURSDAY AUG 6

Cool Aid & Canvases

12:00 PM

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

2901 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

*A fun, interactive kid-friendly paint session where their canvas
becomes a work of art.*

***Limited Seating**

National Night Out

Hosted by 5th District MPD

3:00 PM–7:00 PM

James W. Beckum Park

900 W. Brown St.

Carver Park

911 W. Brown St.

*Basketball, food & prizes, face painting, petting zoo, music,
horses, resources, and games.*

Bronzeville Trolley Rides

1st tour 3:30 PM

2nd tour 5:00 PM

Pick up @ America's Black Holocaust Museum

401 W. North Avenue

***Limited Seating**

Bronzeville Fashion Show

7:00 PM–9:00 PM

America's Black Holocaust Museum

401 W. North Avenue

*A platform for storytelling, entrepreneurship, & community
pride explored through fashion. Hosted By Kennedy Harris.*

FRIDAY AUG 7

Bronzeville Lunch & Learn:

Housing & Neighborhood Resources

12:00 PM

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

2901 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

*Gain valuable insight & resources that will help
strengthen your neighborhood.*

Lit in Bronzeville

5:00 PM–8:00 PM

Salute Society

2372 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

*A community movement experience designed to bring residents,
families, artists, and wellness advocates together through
movement, culture, and connection. Hosted by Kalaya Tatum.*

Bronzeville Sleepover for Education

7:00 PM–8:00 AM

Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive & North Avenue

School supplies warmly accepted.

SATURDAY AUG 8

Pancakes & Poetry

Hosted by Mario the Poet

9:30 AM

Rise & Grind Café

2737 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

Bronzeville Farmers' Market

10:00 AM–1:00 PM

414 Floral

1739 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

The Bronzeville Ride

10:00 AM meet up

10:30 AM ride begins

Meet @ Niche Book Bar

1937 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

Local Legends Softball Game

12:00 PM–2:00 PM

Carver Park

911 W. Brown Street

Team Captains: Ray Hill of the MLK BID

vs. Gee Smith of Gee's Clippers

Together We Dream:

Bronzeville Art Walk

Capstone Gallery

4:00 PM–7:00 PM

Salute Society

2372 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

High Hearts: A Mono Series (\$)

6:30 PM

Allah Mode

1942 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive

A spiritually reflective one-act theatrical

experience that explores perseverance,

awakening, identity, empowerment, and

higher consciousness through the actions

of some unforgettable women.

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*Please visit Milwaukee.gov/BronzevilleWeek and our social media as the schedule is subject to change.
View all virtual events at facebook.com/BronzevilleWeek. Scan the QR code for detailed event information.

(\$) Fee May Apply

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