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FOR INFORMATION CALL

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16th annual Bronzeville Week celebration kicks off tomorrow

Bronzeville Week, an official City of Milwaukee event hosted by **Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs** now in its 16th year, begins this weekend and will include an entire week of family-friendly events, vendors, and exhibitions that promote health, art, culture, commerce, and a positive atmosphere in the Bronzeville district for all to enjoy.

The festivities begin on **Saturday, August 2 at 7:30 a.m.** with the **HaRUNbee 5K Walk/Run** for Healthy Birth Outcomes. The mission of the HaRUNbee Walk/Run is to promote wellness by encouraging families to stay healthy and fit, both mentally and physically. Registration and check-in will begin at 6 a.m. Additional info can be found [here](#). Following the 5K will be **The Royal Rhythm Experience** taking place from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. at 2213 N. Dr. MLK Jr., Dr. This will be an evening of music, culture, and community.

On **Sunday, August 2**, things get underway with the **Bronzeville Cultural & Arts Festival** taking place from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. along North Ave. between Dr. MLK Jr., Dr. and 7th St. The event will include vendors, food, a youth zone and three stages of entertainment. There will be an outdoor combined service for **Empowerment Sunday** from 10:00 a.m. to noon on the Gospel Stage at N. Dr. MLK Jr., Dr. and W. North Ave. To finish off the night, there will be an immersive experience at America's Black Holocaust Museum, 401 W. North Ave., **Dear Home – An Ode & a Love Letter to Milwaukee** from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. (featuring the photography of **Jalayna Muhammad**).

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2026 Bronzeville Week begins/ADD ONE

Bronzeville Week continues on **Monday, August 3** with a variety of events. First for the day is a virtual **Just Us and Books with Dannette Justus**. The event can be viewed starting at **10 a.m.** on the Bronzeville Week Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/BronzevilleWeek/>.

The day continues with **Bronzeville Lunch & Learn: Leveraging Culture for Economic, Political & Social Impact** at Confectionately Yours Café & Bakery, 1920 N. Dr. MLK, Jr., Dr. at noon. Monday's events conclude with **Standing on the Shoulders of Giants: How Halyard Park and Historic Bronzeville Laid The Foundation That We Are Building on Today** at America's Black Holocaust Museum, 401 W. North Ave with the program beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Bronzeville Week is hosted by Alderwoman Coggs, and is supported by the City of Milwaukee, Historic King Drive BID No. 8, the Brewers Community Foundation, Bader Philanthropies, Visit Milwaukee, ThriveOn Collaboration, ArchWell Health, Athena Communications, 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)**.

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, and 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, and 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 Ave. between Dr. MLK, Jr. Dr. & Vel R. Phillips Ave.
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.
**Rain location ThriveOn King Drive
2153 N. Dr. MLK, Jr. Drive*

THURSDAY AUG 6

Cool Aid & Canvases *Limited Seating

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.

National Night Out

Hosted by 5th District MPD
3:00 PM–7:00 PM
James W. Beckum Park | Carver Park
900 W. Brown St. | 911 W. Brown St.
Basketball, food & prizes, face painting, petting zoo, music, horses, resources, and games.

Bronzeville Trolley Rides *Limited Seating

1st tour 3:30 PM
2nd tour 5:00 PM
Pick up @ America's Black Holocaust Museum
401 W. North Avenue

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.



*Please visit Milwaukee.gov/Bronzeville 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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