The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday events around the region


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Ashland

Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. March, Service and Lunch, 10 a.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, St. James AME Church, 333 MLK Jr. Blvd., Ashland, KY 41101. The keynote speaker is Dr. Roger Cleveland of Eastern Kentucky University. Then, at 12 Noon on Jan. 18, will be the Dr. King Memorial Lunch in Ashland, at First Presbyterian Church, 1600 Winchester Avenue, in Ashland, KY 41101. Call Carol Jackson of the Ashland Human Rights Commission at 606.923.9544 for information.

Berea

The Martin Luther King Day Celebrations by Berea College are on Monday, Jan. 18. First is the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Black Music Ensemble. It will be at Union Church in Berea, KY at 10 a.m. (EST). Then at 10:30 a.m. is the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. March at Berea College. At 11 a.m. is the performance of the Fannie Lou Hamer Story, a one-woman play performed by Mzuri Moyo Aimbaye. At 3 p.m. is the convocation at the Phelps-Stokes Auditorium with Lateefah Simon – Changing the Future. Call Dr. Alicestyne Turley at 859.985.3783 for information.

Bowling Green

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration, 4 p.m. (CST) Saturday, Jan. 16, featuring the choirs, art, essays and dramatic readings of Warren County Public School Students, sponsored by the Equity Council of Warren County Public Schools. The event is at Warren Central High School, 559 Morgantown Road, Bowling Green, KY 42101.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Educational Youth Event and Adult Forum, 4 p.m.-6:30 p.m. (CST), Sunday, Jan. 17, Bowling Green Boys and Girls Club, 260 Scott Way, Bowling Green, KY 42101. The Adult Forum is also on Jan. 17 at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 175 Graham Drive, across from Boys and Girls Club.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Memorial Breakfast, 7:30 a.m. (CST), Monday, Jan. 18, Parker-Bennett-Curry Elementary School, 165 Webb Drive, Bowling Green, KY 42101. The guest speaker is Pierre Quinn, Cottage Chapel Seventh-Day Adventist Church, Tickets are $12.
The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. March is at 10 a.m. (CST), Monday, Jan. 18, Warren County Courthouse, 1001 Center Street, Bowling Green, KY 42101 to State Street Baptist Church, 340 State Street, in Bowling Green, KY 42101. The MLK Jr. Main Program is at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 18, State Street Baptist Church, 340 State Street, Bowling Green, KY 42101. The guest speaker is Lorenzo Pierson, founder and CEO of Youth Empowerment Solutions. The Warren County Board of Education Essay and Arts contest winners will be announced during the program. Call 270.782.7900 or 270.843.6071 for information.


Covington

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Breakfast, 9 a.m. (EST), Saturday, Jan. 16, Church of Our Savior, 246 East 10th Street, Covington, KY 41011. Call 859.491.5872 for information.

Martin Luther King Jr. Annual Church Service, 7 p.m. (EST), Sunday, Jan. 17, Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, MLK Jr. Blvd. at Madison Avenue, Covington, KY 41011. Call 859.491.5872 for information.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Day Gathering and March is at 5 p.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, at the corners of 12th Street and MLK Jr. Blvd. at Jillian’s Way, Covington KY, 41011. Call 859.866.2637 for information.

Northern Kentucky Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance Martin Luther King JR. Holiday Program, 6 p.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, Life Learning Center, 20 West 18th Street, Covington, KY 41011. Call 859.866.2637 for information.

Cynthiana

Dr. Martin Luther King Day March and Program, 10 a.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, St. James AME Church,


Danville

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Program, 6 p.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, Norton Center for the Arts, 600 West Walnut Street, Centre College, Danville, KY 40422. The keynote speaker is Dr. Beverly Tatum, retired president of Spelman College of Atlanta, Georgia. Call 859.236.4692 for information.

Franklin
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. 87 Birthday Celebration, sponsored by the African American Heritage Center in Franklin, KY, 3 p.m. (CST), Jan. 17, Franklin Community Church, 822 Blackjack Road, Franklin, KY 42134. Pastor Eric Walker is presiding. The guest speaker is Evangelist Nancy Uhls of the Elevated Missionary Baptist Church. There will be musical selections from the Franklin Community Church Praise Team. Call 615.319.6531 for information.

**Georgetown**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast and Program, 9 a.m. (EST), Saturday, Jan. 16, First Presbyterian Church Conference Center, 319 West Main Street, Georgetown, KY 40324. Call 502.867.5568 for information.

**Highland Heights**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, 9 a.m. (EST) Saturday, Jan. 16, Student Union Room 107, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY 41099, Call 859.572.6684 for information.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Church Service sponsored by Transitions Christian Center, 11 a.m. (EST) Sunday, Jan. 17, Norse Commons Circle, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY 41099. Call 859.572.6684 for information.

**Lexington**

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Breakfast – Sold Out – 6:30 a.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, Lexington Center – Heritage Hall West, 430 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507. This event is chaired by Kentucky Human Rights Commissioner D. Anthony Everett.

Lexington-Fayette Urban County-University of Kentucky Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (EST), on Monday, on Jan. 18. The guest speaker is Danny Glover, actor and philanthropist. The program is at the Lexington Center- Heritage Hall West, 430 West Vine Street, Lexington, KY 40507. Call 859.233.4567 for information or email Gail.Hairston@uky.edu.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. (EST) Saturday, Jan. 16, University of Kentucky, Manchester Music Hall, 899 Manchester Street, Lexington, KY 40508. Call 270.791.1463 for information.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Movie Special is at 2:30 p.m., Monday, Jan. 18, “Nelson Mandela, a Long to Freedom.” It is free at The Kentucky Theatre, East Main Street, Lexington, KY 40507.

**Louisville**

Keepers of the Dream Community Arts Celebration of Dr. King’s Vision, Join The Kentucky Center’s Arts Reach program, River City Drum Corp and Louisville Mayor Greg Fischer for “Keepers of the Dream, a Community Arts Celebration of Dr. King’s Vision,” 5 p.m. (EST), Sun., Jan. 17 (4:45 preshow); This event is free and open to the public, no tickets required; arrive early for pre-show by Louisville Leopard Percussionists and activities in the main lobby 4 to 4:45 p.m.; Whitney Hall at The Kentucky
Center, 501 W. Main Street, Louisville, Ky. 40202; Following the celebration there will be a post-show celebration in the lobby featuring River City Drum Corps.

Louisville Section National Council of Negro Women Inc. Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast Celebration, January 16, 9:30 a.m. (EST), Crowne Plaza Airport, 830 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY Tickets: $35 Donation, Keynote Speaker Rev. Sheila Edwards (pastor, Third Central United Christian Church) Email: ncnw09@gmail.com for information and reservations.

Arabic Salon (lecture and conversation in Arabic with no interpretation) by the Louisville Public Library, “What is your Race?”; Sat. Jan. 16, 1 p.m. (EST), Hisham Botan will lead a discussion of the social construct of race and the intersection between immigration, culture and America's system of racial classification, Bon Air Library, 2816 Del Rio Place, Louisville, Ky. Call 502.574.1795 for information.

Spanish Literary Salon (conducted entirely in Spanish) by the Louisville Public Library, “Towards a comprehensive understanding of alcohol consumption: An approach from the Perspective of Collective Health,” Sat., Jan. 16, 12:30 p.m. (EST), Bon Air Library, 2816 Del Rio Place, Louisville, Ky. Call 502.574.1795 for information.

The Dr. Martin Luther King Day of Service is from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, at the University of Louisville. Call Brittany Barnes at 502.852.3754 for information.

Madisonville

32nd Annual Hopkins County Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration 4 p.m. (CST), Saturday, Jan. 16, Byrnes Auditorium, 750 Laffoon Street, Madisonville, KY 42431; The keynote speaker is Dr. Kevin Cosby, president of Simmons College in Louisville. There is also guest speaker Betty Daniels Rosemond, a Freedom Rider from the 1960s; Call Kentucky Human Rights Commissioner Timothy Thomas at 270.836.2281 for information.

Murray

Free showing of the HBO Film, “Boycott,” 7 p.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, about the 1955 Montgomery Bus Boycott that led to the prominence of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. There will be a discussion of the film by co-screen writer, Herman D. Farrell III. The event will be at Briggs Theatre, College of Fine Arts, University of Kentucky, in Lexington, KY 40506.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Candlelight Vigil and March will be on Sunday, January 17, at 6 p.m. (CST), at the Pogue Library on the campus of Murray State University, in Murray, Ky.

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Breakfast & Day of Service, Monday, January 18, 8:30 a.m. (CST), at the Curris Center Ballroom on the campus of Murray State University, in Murray, Ky.
Northern Kentucky NAACP MLK Jr. Annual Luncheon, 11:30 a.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, Newport Syndicate Event Center, 18 East Fifth Street, Newport, KY 41071. For ticket information, call 859.442.7476.

Paducah

Paducah-McCracken County NAACP Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon, Mon., Jan. 18, Robert C. Cherry Civic Center at 11:30 a.m. (CST); Keynote speaker is Dr. Curtis Daniels. Tickets are $20 to the public and $5 for students and can be obtained by contacting J.W Cleary at 270.519.5391 or can be purchased at the door. The Annual March to the Monument will begin at 10 a.m. (CST) from the Civic Center. The Paducah Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is the officiating organization for the “Laying of the Wreath” Ceremony. The Paducah-McCracken will have a Weekend of Commitment, which includes events and activities from Friday, Jan. 15, through Mon., Jan 18. Call 270.443.5430 for details.

Cincinnati, Ohio

Dr. King Legacy Awards Breakfast, 8:00 a.m. (EST), Monday, Jan. 18, tickets are $35, in the Grand Hall of the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center, 50 East Freedom Way, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. The Martin Luther King Holiday March will be from Freedom Center to the Cincinnati Music Hall at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 18. Call 513.333.7500 for information.