

2023 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Events

To help Ohioans celebrate the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday, below is a list of community events. Events are subject to change. Please contact event organizers to verify details.

CITY	EVENT	LOCATION	ADDRESS	TIME	CONTACT
Akron	Sunday, Jan. 15 MLK Special Service	First Congregational Church of Akron	292 E. Market St. Akron 44308-2016	9 and 11 a.m.	330-253-5109
Akron	Monday, Jan. 16 2023 MLK Jr. Annual Breakfast sponsored by Akron Urban League	Hilton Akron/Fairlawn	3180 W. Market St. Akron 44333	8 to 9:30 a.m.	234-542-4178
Akron	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Day Open Hours – Free	Akron Art Museum	1 S. High St. Akron 44308	11 a.m. to 5 p.m.	330-376-9186
Athens	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Jr. Celebration: Silent March	Ohio University Galbreath Chapel	43 University Terrace Athens 45701	10 to 10:30 a.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Jr. Celebration: Celebratory Brunch Tickets: \$10 students, \$30 non-students; tables \$180 student organizations, \$500 non-student and university departments	Ohio University Baker Center, Ballroom	1 Park Place Dr. Athens 45701	11 a.m. to 1 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Tuesday, Jan. 17 MLK Jr. Celebration: Movies at the Athena Film Screening: "Till"	Athena Cinema	20 S. Court St. Athens 45701	3 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Tuesday, Jan. 17 MLK Jr. Celebration: Fireside Chat with Rev. Wheeler Parker	Virtual Event MS Teams		6:30 to 8 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Wednesday, Jan. 18 MLK Jr. Celebration: Self Compassion and Self-Care Luncheon	Ohio University Baker Center, Room 231	1 Park Place Dr. Athens 45701	Noon to 1 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Wednesday, Jan. 18 MLK Jr. Celebration: Black Excellence Panel	Virtual Event MS Teams		6 to 7 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Thursday, Jan. 19 MLK Jr. Celebration: Service Fair	Ohio University Baker Center, Room 240/242	1 Park Place Dr. Athens 45701	Noon to 3 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Athens	Friday, Jan. 20 MLK Jr. Celebration: Comedy and Variety Show	Ohio University Baker Center, Theatre	1 Park Place Dr. Athens 45701	6:30 to 9 p.m.	740-593-2431 diversityinclusion@ohio.edu
Berea	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Week: Annual Prayer Breakfast	Mt. Zion Baptist Church	200 Emerson Ave., Berea 44017	9 a.m.	440-826-2395
Berea	Wednesday, Jan. 18 MLK Week: Keynote and Enduring Questions featuring Dr. Mary Frances Berry	Baldwin Wallace University, Gamble Auditorium, Kulas Musical Arts Building	96 Front St. Berea 44017	7 p.m.	440-826-2395
Berea	Thursday, Jan. 19 MLK Week: Chapel Worship Service	Baldwin Wallace University, Lindsay-Crossman Chapel	56 Seminary St. Berea 44017	12:15 p.m.	440-826-2395
Bowling Green	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Day of Service and Learning	Bowling Green University Bowen-Thompson Student Union	1001 E. Wooster St. Bowling Green 43402	9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.	419-372-2531 apaniag@bgsu.edu
Bowling Green	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Day of Service and Learning Film Screening: "Who We Are: A Chronicle of Racism in America"	Bowling Green University Bowen-Thompson Student Union	1001 E. Wooster St. Bowling Green 43402	4:30 to 6:30 p.m.	419-372-2531 apaniag@bgsu.edu

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Centerville	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Jr. Breakfast 2023 Keynote: Peter Matthews Tickets: \$24	The Golf Club at Yankee Trace	10000 Yankee St. Centerville 45458	7:30 to 9 a.m.	cwdchair@gmail.com
Cincinnati	Sunday, Jan. 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration	Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church	9991 Wayne Ave. Cincinnati 45215	10 a.m. to 1 p.m.	513-772-5422 info@lhmbc.net
Cincinnati	Sunday, Jan. 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Vesper Church service with special guests Mayor Aftab Pureval and Cincinnati Symphony Youth Orchestra Nouveau Chamber Players	Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church	630 Glenwood Ave. Cincinnati 45229	3 to 5 p.m.	513-751-8608
Cincinnati	Monday, Jan. 16 2023 King Legacy Celebration: Keynote Brittany Packnett Cunningham Live and in-person, includes a continental breakfast. Tickets \$50 Livestream option also is available. Tickets \$25	National Underground Railroad Freedom Center	50 E. Freedom Way Cincinnati 45202	Doors open at 8 a.m. Continental breakfast 8 to 8:30 a.m. Performances and keynote 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.	513-333-7500
Cincinnati	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Day 2023: Commemorative March with Prayer Services Gather outside the Freedom Center, the march concludes at Washington Park. The complimentary Rosa Parks Bus provides rides for those who cannot walk a mile uphill in the cold.	National Underground Railroad Freedom Center	50 E. Freedom Way Cincinnati 45202	10:30 a.m.	mlkcoalition@gmail.com
Cincinnati	Monday, Jan. 16 MLK Day 2023: Commemorative Program Keynote: Rev. Nelson Pierce, Jr.	Virtual Event		Noon	mlkcoalition@gmail.com
Cleveland	Sunday, Jan. 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Concert Tickets are required and available on a first-come, first-served basis beginning on Saturday, Jan. 7, 2023, at 10 a.m. Limit four tickets per household.	Severance Music Center	11001 Euclid Ave. Cleveland 44106	7 p.m.	Tickets available: in person, phone 216-231-1111 or 800-686-1141, or online .
Cleveland	Monday, Jan. 16 Celebrate MLK Jr. Day Immersed in Music, Culture, and Community Free virtual programming and museum admission	Rock and Roll Hall of Fame	Union Home Mortgage Plaza 1100 Rock and Roll Blvd. Cleveland 44114 YouTube Channel	10 a.m. to 5 p.m.	216-781-7625
Cleveland	Monday, Jan. 16 46th Annual Celebration of the Life and Work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Musical performance by Pastor Marvin L. Winans	Virtual Event		3 to 4 p.m.	216-987-6000
Cleveland	Friday, Jan. 20 Martin Luther King, Jr. Convocation	Case Western Reserve University	Campus Center Lot S-29 11172 East Blvd. Cleveland 44106	12:45 p.m.	216-368-2229
Columbus	Monday, Jan. 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Learning Keynote: Zellie Imani	Capital University	1 College Ave. and Main St. Columbus 43209	All day	614-236-6011

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Columbus	Monday, Jan. 16 38th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Breakfast Keynote: Dr. Lawrence Edward Carter, Sr. Tickets \$50	Columbus Convention Center, Exhibition Hall C	400 N. High St. Columbus 43215	7 to 10 a.m.	614-496-6830 mlkirColbreakfast@gmail.com
Columbus	Monday, Jan. 16 King Arts Complex: MLK Day Open House Keynote: Franklin Co. Commissioner Erica Crawley	Ohio History Center	800 E. 17th Ave. Columbus 43211	Noon to 4 p.m.	614-645-5464
Columbus	Monday, Jan. 16 Martin Luther King Day Celebration Keynote: Andrea Pannell, OPA	Holy Rosary and St. John Church	600 S. Ohio Ave. Columbus 43211	Noon to 1:30 p.m.	hrsjevents@gmail.com
Columbus	Monday, Jan. 16 2023 City of Columbus MLK March	Lincoln Theatre	769 E. Long St. Columbus 43203	4:30 to 5:30 p.m.	614-645-1993
Dayton	Monday, Jan. 16 City of Dayton Martin Luther King Day March and Rally	Charles Drew Health Center	1323 W. Third St. Dayton 45402	9:30 a.m.	614-236-6011 937-229-3634 mec@udayton.edu
Dayton	Monday, Jan. 16 Procession to the University of Dayton monument to Dr. King from the Kennedy Union fountain and wreath laying ceremony.	University of Dayton	300 College Park Dayton 45469 The monument is located across from the Frericks Center	11:45 a.m.	937-229-3634 mec@udayton.edu
Dayton	Tuesday, Jan. 17 University of Dayton Speaker Series: Rev. Brown Douglas	University of Dayton, Kennedy Union Ballroom	300 College Park Dayton 45469	7 to 8 p.m.	937-229-3634 mec@udayton.edu
Dayton	Wednesday, Jan. 18 Film screening: "At the River I Stand"	University of Dayton Library and Department of History, Roesch Library 240	300 College Park Dayton 45469	6:30 to 8:30 p.m.	937-229-3634 mec@udayton.edu
Delaware	Sunday, Jan. 15 From Civil Rights to Wakanda: An Exploration of Blackness & Media	Online panel discussion		2 to 3 p.m.	800-922-8953
Delaware	Monday, Jan. 16 30th Annual MLK Breakfast Celebration	Ohio Wesleyan's Hamilton-Williams Campus Center, Benes Room	40 Rowland Ave. Delaware 43015	7:45 to 9:30 a.m.	800-922-8953
Elyria	Monday, Jan. 16 City of Elyria MLK Day March	Ely Square	Ely Square Park 400 Broad St. Elyria 44035	10:30 a.m.	Details will be posted at cityofelyria.org and on social media
Elyria	Monday, Jan. 16 City of Elyria MLK Day Event	Elyria High School A conference and breakout discussions follow march.	601 Middle Ave. Elyria 44035	11 a.m.	Details will be posted at cityofelyria.org and on social media
Lebanon	Monday, Jan. 16 38th Annual MLK Celebration Musical performances and keynote speaker Tia Ramey. MLK Lebanon will also announce the winners of the Drum Major Awards.	Resurrection Lutheran Church	1270 N. Broadway St. Lebanon 45036	1 to 2:30 p.m.	513-932-7919 mlklebanon@gmail.com

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Lorain	A Month of Service: Honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. All month the library will honor the legacy of MLK by collecting handmade, new, or gently used blankets, hats, and scarves, to be donated to a local charity. Call the branch for more information.	Domonkas Public Library, Lorain Public Library System	4125 E. Lake Road Sheffield Lake 44054	Month of January	440-949-7410
Oxford	Monday, Jan. 16 Miami University Martin Luther King Day Celebration Keynote: Carolyn Jefferson-Jenkins will present "I Dare You to be the Dream!"	Shriver Center, John Dolibois Rooms	701 E. Spring St. Oxford 45056	10 a.m.	513-529-1809
Toledo	Monday, Jan. 16 22nd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Day Celebration Special keynote speakers and entertainment	Virtual event		10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	419-245-1518 hrc1@toledo.oh.gov
Westerville	Monday, Jan. 16 18th Annual Westerville Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Panel discussion moderated by Angela An with 10TV News	Villa Milano Banquet and Conference Center	1630 Schrock Road Columbus 43229	7:30 a.m.	614-882-8917 srusterholz@westervillechamber.com
Wooster	Monday, Jan. 16 College of Wooster 2023 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commemoration	Video kickoff	Video kickoff	Noon	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu
Wooster	Monday, Jan. 16 NAACP MLK Day Celebration Keynote: Rev. Gwendolyn Webb, Birmingham, Ala., veteran of the Civil Rights Movement.	First Presbyterian Church	621 College Ave. Wooster 44691	Dinner at 5 p.m. Service at 7 p.m.	330-264-9250 naacpunit3208@gmail.com
Wooster	Tuesday, Jan. 17 College of Wooster Justice Dialogue featuring Rev. Gwendolyn Webb. Theme: "Beyond the Chaos"	Gault Recital Hall	1189 Beall Ave. Wooster 44691	11 a.m.	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu
Wooster	Wednesday, Jan. 18 College of Wooster Justice Dialogue featuring Dr. Michael Miyawaki, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology. Theme: "Anger into Action"	Gault Recital Hall	1189 Beall Ave. Wooster 44691	11 a.m.	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu
Wooster	Thursday, Jan. 19 College of Wooster Justice Dialogue featuring Dr. Ryan Ozar, Visiting Professor of Education. Theme: "Why not burn it down? Sustainability and Empowerment"	Gault Recital Hall	1189 Beall Ave. Wooster 44691	11 a.m.	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu
Wooster	Friday, Jan. 20 College of Wooster MLK Prayer Breakfast	Westminster Presbyterian Church	353 E Pine St. Wooster 44691	8 a.m.	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu
Wooster	Friday, Jan. 20 College of Wooster MLK Prayer Breakfast Keynote Address featuring Dr. Patrice Buckner Jackson. Theme: "The Fierce Urgency of Now"	McGaw Chapel	340 E University St. Wooster 44691	11 a.m.	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu

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Wooster	Friday, Jan. 20 College of Wooster Civic Engagement Fair	Lowry Center, The Alley	1189 Beall Ave. Wooster 44691	3 to 5 p.m.	330-263-2000 eid@wooster.edu

For additional options to observe the 28th anniversary of the National Day of Service, visit www.nationalservice.gov.