

DETROIT BAR



The Detroit Bar Association encourages you to observe Martin Luther King, Jr. Day as a Day of Service and Reflection.

As we serve, let us also reflect on the 1963 “Great Walk to Freedom” in Detroit, which was the dress rehearsal for “The March on Washington” that occurred two months later. As King acknowledged in 1963, these events would serve “as a source of inspiration for the freedom-loving people of this nation.”

“I Have A Dream” - [WATCH VIDEO](#)

Please also keep your eye out for the Diversity and Inclusion Committee’s **“22 in ‘22 Challenge”** – a call to action for DBA members and the legal community to join us in committing to participate in 22 activities or practices during the 2021 year to deepen our understanding and practice of inclusion.

There are numerous activities in the Detroit region and across the state that we encourage you to participate in:

Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History

Don't miss our incredible annual virtual event, commemorating the life and legacy of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968). Our Keynote Speaker for 2022 is former United States Ambassador and civil rights activist Andrew Young. Video presentations begin at 9 am and 1 pm EST. Registration is not required. More information: <https://www.thewright.org/events/mlk-day-annual-celebration-presented-citizens>

Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation

We're celebrating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and the civil rights leaders who had the extraordinary courage to ask for more from their nation, by offering a free and SAFE day of inspiration at Henry Ford Museum of American Innovation on January 17, 2022.

To continually prioritize the safety of our guests and staff, capacity will be limited and monitored at the door. If capacity is reached, please be prepared for entry delays or queues. Reservations are not required at this time.

View the Rosa Parks Bus and listen to the story of her brave act. Make your statement in the interactive program Minds on Freedom, highlighting the contributions of Dr. King, Mrs. Parks and civil rights champions like the Freedom Riders. Then explore the proud and often-challenging evolution of American freedom in the exhibit [With Liberty and Justice for All](#).

The MLK Memorial Ride 2022

January 17 2022

Cullen Plaza
1340 Atwater St, Detroit, MI 48207
1:00 p.m to 3:30 p.m.

King: A Filmed Record... Montgomery to Memphis at the Detroit Film Theatre

January 17, 2022
5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit
1 p.m.
Free

Check out one of the most well-known documentaries depicting Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Civil Rights activism. The film is 185 minutes long and includes an intermission.

MLK, Jr. Day: Give Us the Ballot at the Detroit Historical Museum

January 17, 2022
5401 Woodward, Detroit
10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Free

Visitors can participate in a voter registration project for kids and listen to an expert discuss the importance of registering to vote. Kids will make their own 'mock' voter registration cards and color MLK coloring pages. The event will conclude with cupcakes and a sing-along to Stevie Wonder's Happy Birthday.

Wayne State University

In the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Wayne State's Office of Diversity and Inclusion, the Office of Multicultural Student Engagement, and Wayne Law's Detroit Equity Action Lab are collaborating on Tuesday, January 18, 2022 for the National Day of Healing from Racism. We will host a series of virtual events in an effort to heal the wounds created by racial, ethnic and religious bias and build an equitable and just society where everyone can thrive. To heal from and end racism, we need to tell the truth about past and current wrongs and address the consequences created by individual and systemic racism.

Join us as we support each other in how we are impacted by racism, move toward healing from racism, and build inclusion at our campus community and beyond. #HowWeHeal

Various virtual sessions will be held throughout the day, so registrants are encouraged to participate as their schedule allows. [RVSP here](#).

You can learn about other events on the State Bar of Michigan website here: <https://www.michbar.org/mlk>

Photo above: Bird's-eye view of huge crowd participating in Martin Luther King, Jr. led Freedom March in Detroit, Michigan. Photo courtesy of Walter P. Reuther Library, Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs, Wayne State University