2020 CELEBRATION EVENTS FOR
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Colorado Holiday Celebration
“Remember! Celebrate! Act! - A Day On Not A Day Off”
Theme: “Renewed Dedication To Humanity”

(All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.)

Saturday, Jan 11, 2020

Event: MLK, Jr. Youth Summit “All Things Equity”
Time: 11 AM - 1 PM
Presented by Young Aspiring Americans for Social and Political Activism (YAASPA).
Sponsored by: Aurora NAACP
Location: Empower Community School
450 South Chambers Road Aurora, CO. 80012
POC: Gail Pough (303) 618.4077

Sunday, Jan 12, 2020

Event: MLK, Jr., Interfaith Service Hosted & sponsored by Aurora Community of Faith
Time: 4 p.m.
Location: Heritage Christian Center 14401 E. Exposition Ave.
POC: Dr. Greg McDonald (720) 940.4676

Event: Prayer Vigil Hosted & sponsored by Aurora Community of Faith,
Time: 5:30 p.m.
Location: Aurora Municipal Center 15151 E. Alameda Parkway
POC: Dr. Greg McDonald (720) 940.4676

Event: MLK Jr. Commemoration Opening Ceremony
Hosted & sponsored by City of Aurora Community Relations,
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Location: Aurora Municipal Center 15151 E. Alameda Parkway
POC: Claudine McDonald (303) 739.7280

Monday, January 13,

Event: Annual Press Conference
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Monument Denver City Park
POC: Jennie Malpiede (720) 933.3977
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Event: Shoebox Stories Live: UndocuAmerica Series
Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM
Location: Dairy Arts Center, 2590 Walnut St Boulder, CO

Tuesday, January 14,

Event: 29TH ANNUAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., Humanitarian and Lifetime Achievement Awards & Colorado Symphony Orchestra Concert
Time: 6:00pm -9:00 p.m.
Place: Boettcher Concert Hall Denver Performing Arts Complex
14th and Curtis Streets

Honorees:
- Candice McKnight
- Aubrey Lavizzo DVM
- Olivia Omega

Outstanding Youth: Edilla-Beata Tetteh

Alan Harrison Berg: ADL

Lifetime Achievement:
- Hazel Johnson Whitsett
- Jerone W. & JoKatherine Holliman Page

Honorable Wilma J. Webb Founder’s Award:
- Dr. Syl Morgan Smith
- Tamara Banks (Journalist)

POC: Dr. Vern L. Howard 720-971-1329, Dr.Terry Nelson 720.865.2404
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Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM
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Wednesday, January 15,

Sponsored by the City of Aurora Community Relations
Time: 6:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m.
Location: Heritage Christian Center 14401 E. Exposition Ave.
We are featuring a performance by Grammy-winning artist Dorinda Clark-Cole,
POC: Claudine McDonald (303) 739.7280

Event: Shoebox Stories Live: UndocuAmerica Series
Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM
Location: Dairy Arts Center, 2590 Walnut St Boulder, CO

Event: Reading of Dr. MLK, Jr., Day City Proclamation
Time: 6 PM
Location: Grand Junction City Hall, 250 N 5th St Grand Junction, CO
Friday, Jan 17,

Event: The 27th annual MLK Peace Awards & Breakfast
Time: 8:00 a.m.
Location: Tivoli Turn Hall Auraria Campus
Guest Speaker: TBD
POC: Jeremy VanHooser, (303) 615-2064. ($25.00)
https://www.msudenver.edu/mlk/

Event: MLK Jr. Prayer Breakfast Hosted by Aurora Community of Faith & sponsored by the city of Aurora Community Relations,
Time: 8 a.m.
Location: The People’s Building, 9995 E. Colfax Ave.
Tickets required ($15); contact pgreg22@yahoo.com

Event: 35th Annual MLK Social Responsibility Awards Luncheon
Time: 11:45 a.m.
Location: Hilton Denver City Center 1701 California
2020 Honorees: Jandel Allen- Davis, MD
Ball Corporation
Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
Nita Mosby Tyler, PhD
Women’s Bean Project
John Yee (Posthumously)
TrailBlazer: Bishop Dr. Acen Phillips
Costs: Individual seating $75.00
POC: Stephen Straight 720-323-3333 or 980-468-1488
https://www.mlkbusinessawards.org

Event: Shoebox Stories Live: UndocuAmerica Series
Time: 7:00 – 9:30 PM
Location: Dairy Arts Center, 2590 Walnut StBoulder, CO

Saturday, January 18,

Event: MLK Marshall Training for Marade
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Denver East High School 1600 City Park Esplanade, Denver, CO 80206 1st floor
POC: Silke Hansen 303-308-1969 or Dr. Vern L. Howard 720-971-1329,
(We’ll be serving Lunch)
**Event:** 4th Annual Womxn’s March in Denver  
Coloradans to Get Loud and Vote as we celebrate Womxn's Suffrage on Saturday, January  
Time: 9:30 a.m.  
Location: 144 W. Colfax Ave, Denver  
for more information go to [www.womxnsmarchdenver.org](http://www.womxnsmarchdenver.org)

**Event:** Dr. MLK, Jr. Movie Day - Harriet in Grand Junction  
Time: 7 PM  
Location: The Avalon Theatre, 645 Main St Grand Junction, CO

**Event:** NAACP Freedom Fund Brunch  
Time: 11:00 a.m.  
Location: Renaissance Denver Stapleton Hotel  
3801 Quebec St, Denver, CO 80207  
Featuring: Ifeoma Ike

**Event:** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Film Events  
Time: 3 PM  
Location: The Avalon Theatre, 645 Main St Grand Junction, CO

**Event:** Dr. MLK, Jr. March  
Time: 11:00 am  
Place: Corner of 26th & Elisabeth Veteran Memorial Wall (Pueblo, CO)  
POC: Dr. Ruth Steel (719) 214.7109 or Ray Brown (303) 519.4675  
A small meal will be served at the conclusion of the ceremony for our participants.

**Sunday, January 19,**  
**Event:** 4th Annual Cervical Cancer/HPV Prevention-Awareness Campaign:  
Embracing Women's Health Through the Arts  
Time: 1:00 - 2:30 PM  
Location: Rising Star Missionary Baptist Church,  
1500 S. Dayton St., Aurora, CO 80247  
POC: Gladys Brown-Jones Turnbough (303) 475.2843  
**$50.00 VIP Reception  $30.00 General Admission  Student $15.00**  
Purchase Tickets @ [www.artsandwellness.org](http://www.artsandwellness.org)
Event: 35th annual Inter-Faith Service  
Time: 4:00 p.m.  
Location: Temple Sinai 3509 S. Glencoe St Denver, CO 80237  
POC: Sharon Alexander Holt (720) 988.8694

Event: Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Celebration  
Time: 6:00 – 7:30 PM  
Location: First United Methodist Church of Lafayette, 1255 Centaur Village Dr.,  
Lafayette, CO

Monday, January 20,

Event: Marade - Aurora Motorcade  
Time: 7:30 a.m.,  
Participants gather at the east side of Aurora Municipal Center, 15151 E. Alameda Pkwy. & travel to Fletcher Plaza, 9898 E. Colfax Ave. Aurora, CO 80012, for laying of the wreath ceremony, dedication of Dream Tree, and breakfast.  
10 a.m., Travel to Denver City Park. Aurora Mayor Mike Coffman lays a wreath at the “I Have a Dream” monument.

Event: 35th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Marade  
Time: Gather @ 9:00 a.m. program starts at 9:25 a.m.  
Place: The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., I Have a Dream Monument, Denver City Park, concluding at Civic Center

Event: 15th Annual Dr. MLK Jr. March for Peace  
Time: 11:00 a.m.  
Location: Angevine Middle School, 1150 W South Boulder Rd Lafayette, CO

Event: “Get to Cleanin’, Remembering Memphis” (Day of Service Community Project)  
Volunteers needed to remove litter from the Marade route and surrounding neighborhoods immediately following the Marade  
Time: 1:00 p.m.  
POC: Shyretta Hudnall 720-436-3884, Dr. Vern L. Howard 720-971-1329  
drmlkingjrhc@aol.com & vernlh@comcast.net

Again this year, we will collect old cellular phones, non-perishable food, and children’s books. We will have the phones refurbished and donated to battered woman shelters, senior center’s, rape centers, Police Stations. We will distribute the winter clothes and food to those who are in need the same day. Local food banks will receive any extra food. The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless will receive extra clothing items.
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**Event:** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Black Leadership Summit  
**Time:** 12 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Location:** Manual High School 1700 E 28th Ave, Denver, CO 80205  
**POC:** Colorado Black Roundtable (303) 745.9649  
 email: cbrt14@gmail.com

**Event:** 2020 Dr. MLK, Jr. Day March & Celebration  
**Time:** 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM  
**Location:** Old Town Square, 199 Trimble Ct Fort Collins, CO

**Event:** GR - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. March and Celebration  
**Time:** 9:15 AM – 1:30 PM  
**Location:** Union Colony Civic Center, 701 10th Ave Greeley, CO

**Event:** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Talent Show of Boulder  
**Time:** 6:30 – 8:30 PM  
**Location:** The Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe Rd Boulder, CO

**Event:** DR. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration 2020  
**Time:** 3 – 5 PM  
**Location:** University Memorial Center, 1669 Euclid Ave Boulder, CO

**Event:** 35th Annual “Dinner for Those Who Hunger”  
**Time:** 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m.”  
**Place:** Volunteers of America, Sunset Park, 1865 Larimer, Denver, CO 80202  
**POC:** Volunteers of America 303- 297-0408  
“EVERYBODY can be great because EVERYBODY can serve,”

**Event:** Dr. MLK, Jr. Commemorative March and Proclamation Reading  
**Time:** 3 PM  
**Location:** Grand Junction City Hall, 250 N 5th St Grand Junction, CO

**Event:** Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Celebration  
**Time:** 5:30 PM  
**Location:** Moss Performing Arts Center, 1100 North Ave Grand Junction, CO

**Event:** 2020, Dr. MLK, Jr. Holiday & Community Celebration Loveland, CO  
**Time:** 6:30 PM  
**Place:** Mountain View High School  
2500 Mountain Lion Drive, Loveland, CO 80537  
**Featured:** Cleo Parker Robinson Dance Troop II  
**Thompson,** Valley School District Essay & Art Essa Contest  
**POC** –Barbara Lambert 970.691.9658
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**Event:** MLK, Jr. African American Heritage Rodeo of Champions  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Place: National Western Stock Show Coliseum  
4655 Humboldt St. Denver 80216  
POC: Dr. Vern L. Howard 720-971-1329  
*Specialty priced tickets for Youth groups and groups of ten or more.*

**Event:** JustUs Family-Friendly Performance in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.,  
Time: 4:30 – 6:00 PM  
Dairy Arts Center, 2590 Walnut St Boulder, CO

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**February**

**Event** Carol Anderson's talk:  
**Date:** Wednesday, February 12, 2020,  
**Time:** 7:00 pm  
**Location:** History Colorado Center, 1200 Broadway, Denver  
**What:** A talk as part of History Colorado’s Bold Women. Change History speaker series.  
**Tickets and information:**  
[https://www.historycolorado.org/event/carol-anderson/2020/02/12](https://www.historycolorado.org/event/carol-anderson/2020/02/12)  
Use the code BOLD602 to save $10 off the regular ticket price.  
POC: Dr. Vern L. Howard 720-971-1329