

2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

*Please note: Some of the events and programs - require a reservation.
All events are free to the public, unless otherwise noted.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8, 2023

Candlelight Vigil and March 6 PM

Rotunda, Orlando City Hall, 400 South Orange Avenue
Join the City of Orlando Mayor's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission for a candlelight vigil at City Hall. The event will begin at City Hall for a brief presentation. Guests will then march to Shiloh Baptist Church of Orlando for the Interfaith Service. Free parking available at the City Commons Garage on 460 Boone Avenue.

Interfaith Multicultural Celebration 6:30PM

Shiloh Baptist Church of Orlando, 604 W Jackson St
This event is presented by the Interfaith Council of Central Florida. The celebration's theme is "The Daybreak of Freedom" and includes representation from various faith traditions with guest speaker: Bishop Derrick L. McRae, Senior Pastor, The Experience Christian Center Present, African American Council of Christian Clergy. Free parking available at the City Commons Garage on 460 Boone Avenue.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023

Orlando City Council Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Presentation 2 PM

City Hall, Council Chambers, 2nd floor, 400 S Orange Avenue
Mayor Dyer and the City Commissioners will proclaim January 8-17, 2023, as "Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Week" in the City of Orlando.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 2023

19th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Leadership Forum 7 PM

FAMU Law School
During this interactive moderated event, presented by the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, participants can interact with panelists on the topic of "Seize the Moment. Take The Opportunity. Dare To Affect Change."

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 2023

37th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Luncheon 11:30 AM (cost)

First Baptist Church Orlando, 3000 S John Young Pkwy
This luncheon, presented by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, with keynote speaker, Bishop Vashti Murphy McKenzie. The theme for the luncheon is "Seize the Moment. Take The Opportunity. Dare To Affect Change"
This event honors students, community leaders, and organizations and a presentation of the prestigious scholarship Drum Major Award in Scholastic Achievement, Civic Affairs, Social Justice, Community Service, and Business.
Event Registration: mlkluncheon.org

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

39th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Downtown Orlando Parade 10 AM

Downtown Orlando
Join the Southwest Orlando Jaycees for an exciting event that will feature dance, comedy, community organizations, drumlines, music, artistic expression and more.
The parade theme is: "It Starts with Me: Cultivating a Beloved Community Mindset to Break the Cycle of Injustice"
For more parade information, please contact: swojuniorchamber@gmail.com

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023

Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy 32nd Annual Prayer Breakfast 7:45 AM

First Baptist Church Orlando, 3000 S John Young Pkwy
Presented by the Southwest Orlando Jaycees and the Central Florida YMCA, the annual Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy Prayer Breakfast will commemorate the legacies of civil rights pioneers Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Arthur "Pappy" Kennedy, Orlando's first African American City Council Member.
This year's guest speaker will be Dr. Barbara Jenkins.
Link to purchase tickets: ymcacf.org/community/y-events/prayerbreakfast/

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Commission's Great Day of Service 9 AM

Lake Lorna Doone Park, (1519 West Church St.)
During the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, the City of Orlando's MLK Commission have coordinated various efforts to clean up the area providing gardening landscaping, beautify homes and more!

Visit volunteer.orlando.gov for a list of volunteer opportunities. Advance sign up is encouraged. If you do not sign up for a volunteer opportunity in advance, volunteer assignments will be given out at Lake Lorna Doone Park day of event.

FAMU Law 9 AM

FAMU Law Lane, 201 FAMU Law Ln #201, Orlando,
During the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, the City of Orlando's MLK Commission have coordinated efforts to have legal resources available to residents.

Event Registration for all volunteer opportunities: volunteer.orlando.gov

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023

MLK Night at the Orlando Magic 7 PM (cost)

Amway Center, Downtown Orlando
Orlando Magic vs. New Orleans Pelicans. Recognition of Mayor Dyer's MLK Youth Humanitarians.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2023

MLK Gospel Concert 7 PM

Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, Steinmetz Hall, 445 South Magnolia Avenue
The 8th Annual MLK Concert is produced and directed by Grammy Award Winner, Dr. Jeffrey Redding.
Admission will be non-perishable food donations for a local non-profit.
RSVP: orlando.gov/Events/MLK-Gospel-Concert

For a listing of all community events in the Greater Orlando area scan QR code or go to orlando.gov/mlkevents



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The mission for the Orlando Mayor's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission is to strengthen our community by promoting Dr. King's legacy of service, equality, justice, peace, respect and inclusion for all.



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