



DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATIVE COMMISSION 2022

Please make plans to join us in 2022 for another year of celebration and commemoration honoring the life and legacy of the Dream and the Dreamer.

DATE	EVENT
Friday, January 7 5:00pm - 9:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">GALLERY OF ARTS TRIBUTE <i>Emporium Center/ Arts & Culture Alliance</i> The MLK Gallery of Arts Tribute will kick-off the 2022 King Week Celebration. The Galley of Arts Tribute is a juried exhibition developed to recognize local artists and most importantly honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Wednesday, January 12 12:00pm - 1:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE <i>Central Baptist Church</i> The major opening of the MLK Celebration is traditionally an interfaith prayer service to bring people of our community from all faiths together in worship.
Thursday, January 13 8:30am - 11:30am	<ul style="list-style-type: none">LEADERSHIP EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM <i>University of Tennessee - Student Union</i> A highlight of the MLK Celebration is the annual leadership symposium providing a forum for dialogue and exchange of information about social justice issues.
12:00pm - 2:00pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">LEADERSHIP/AWARDS LUNCHEON <i>University of Tennessee, Student Union</i> The business leadership awards luncheon will bring businesses from all segments of Knoxville together to honor special people who have made a difference in our community and will feature a special Keynote Speaker.
Friday, January 14 7:00pm - 8:30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">COMMUNITY FORUM - OAK RIDGE ENVIRONMENTAL PEACE ALLIANCE <i>Virtual Event (See website for More Details)</i> An especially important element in the MLK Celebration activities is a Community Forum with our partners of the Oak Ridge Environmental Peace Alliance.

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<p>Saturday, January 15 9:00am – 2:00pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JACK AND JILL ORATORICAL CONTEST <i>Austin-East High School</i> The MLK Jr. Commemorative Commission Youth Symposium team has again partnered with the Knoxville Chapter of Jack & Jill of America to provide opportunities for students to enhance their oratorical and public speaking skills.
<p>Sunday, January 16 6:00pm – 8:00pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NIGHT WITH THE ARTS TRIBUTE <i>Tennessee Theater</i> The MLK Night with the Arts Original Stage Production performed by the Knoxville Symphony Chamber Orchestra and MLK Holiday Tribute to create a night filled with multi-faceted artistic expression. It will be a magnificent Celebration of the Arts fit for a “King”!
<p>Monday, January 17</p> <p>8:30am (Line-Up) 10:00am – 11:30am</p> <p>12:00pm – 2:00pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MEMORIAL MARCH PARADE <i>Chilhowee Park – Midway Entrance</i> The purpose of the parade is to offer the community a visual and audible display in tribute to the life and works of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Parade route will stretch from <i>Chilhowee Park – Midway Entrance</i> on N. Beaman Street to the <i>Overcoming Believers Church</i> on Harriet Tubman Street. MEMORIAL TRIBUTE SERVICE <i>Overcoming Believers Church</i> The MLK Memorial Tribute Service culminates the MLK Memorial Parade and will feature a special Keynote Speaker.
<p>Saturday, February 19 8:30am – 2:00pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MLK YOUTH SYMPOSIUM <i>Austin-East Magnet High School</i> The MLK Jr. Commemorative Commission provides students of all ages with a full day of educational and entertaining activities to enhance their personal and professional development.
<p>Saturday, March 26 8:30am – 2:00pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TEACHER IN-SERVICE TRAINING <i>Simpson Professional Training Center</i> The purpose of the MLK Teacher In-Service program is to provide a very special training session for teachers and other professionals that tie in directly with the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
<p>Monday, June 20 12:00pm – 4:00pm</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MLK COMMEMORATIVE COMMISSION & THE BECK CENTER JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION The purpose of the celebratory event is to commemorate the federal holiday marked as the first anniversary of the day that African Americans learned of the Emancipation Proclamation and their freedom.