

# Capturing THE DREAM

38th Annual City of Aurora  
REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.  
Commemoration 2024



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### Friday, Jan. 5

#### Capturing the Dream - Youth Talent Showcase

Youth ages 6 to 19 to showcase their talents including singing, dancing, art, acting, poetry and more!

Event partners: National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Aurora Chapter and Young Aspiring Americans for Social and Political Activism (YAASPA).

- 6 - 9 p.m.
- The People's Building, 9995 E. Colfax Ave.

### Monday, Jan. 8

#### Opening Celebration, Prayer Vigil and Proclamation Reading

An opening celebration featuring dance, music and theatre to celebrate MLK Jr.'s legacy. Refreshments to be provided followed by an interfaith prayer vigil and the reading of the MLK commemoration proclamation.

- 4:30 - 7 p.m.
- Aurora Municipal Center Lobby, 15151 E. Alameda Parkway

### Wednesday, Jan. 10

#### The Local Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Discussion Panel

A brief lecture about Dr. King's visits to the Denver area and discussion from a diverse group of Aurora residents reflecting on the legacy of the civil rights leader and how his vision has shaped our community.

- 6 - 7:30 p.m.
- Aurora History Museum, 15051 E. Alameda Parkway
- RSVP: [officeofdei@auroragov.org](mailto:officeofdei@auroragov.org)

### Friday, Jan. 12

#### Interfaith Breakfast

Special Guests: Poonam and Everett Moore, Poonam's by Design and E-Class Transportation owners, and featured designers in HGTV's Rico to the Rescue.

Consider donating youth art supplies for entry. Event partners: Aurora Community of Faith (ACOF) and Aurora Mental Health & Recovery.

- 8:30 - 10:30 a.m.
- Quebec Place Event Center, 430 S. Quebec St. Denver, CO 80247
- RSVP: [officeofdei@auroragov.org](mailto:officeofdei@auroragov.org)

#### Community College of Aurora Virtual Student Film Fest

Event features Aurora Community College student films

- 7 p.m.
- Streamed at [AuroraTV.org](http://AuroraTV.org)

### Saturday, Jan. 13

#### Wreath-laying Ceremony

- 11 a.m. - noon
- Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 9898 E. Colfax Ave.

#### Community Service Project

Help assemble and sort hygiene kits and care items for Aurora Public Schools students/families in need. Event partner: Iron Sharp Community Foundation.

- 9 - 11 a.m.
- Martin Luther King Jr. Library, 9898 E. Colfax Ave.
- RSVP: [44105437.HS-Sites.com/MLK\\_2024](http://44105437.HS-Sites.com/MLK_2024)

### Monday, Jan. 15

#### 2024 MLK Parade

Join the city of Aurora and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Colorado Holiday Commission at this exciting event honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

- 9:30 a.m.
- Learn more: [DrMartinLKingJrCHC.org](http://DrMartinLKingJrCHC.org)

#### MLK Jr. African American Heritage Rodeo

- 6 p.m.
- Denver Coliseum, 4600 Humboldt St. Denver, CO 80216
- Purchase Tickets: [NationalWestern.com/Rodeos](http://NationalWestern.com/Rodeos)

### Tuesday, Jan. 23

#### Community College of Aurora MLK Jr. Luncheon

- 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- Community College of Aurora Rotunda, 16000 E. Centretch Parkway
- For questions, email [susan.hua@ccaaurora.edu](mailto:susan.hua@ccaaurora.edu)

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