



BLACK HISTORY MONTH WEEK 1 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The City of Detroit is launching a **year-long celebration of Detroit arts and culture**. The initiative, called **Undefeated: A Celebration of Detroit's Contributions to American Excellence**, kicks off on February 1.

FEB. 1

NOON

Rochelle Riley interviews Stephanie Williams and Elizabeth Atkins on helping more black authors tell their stories.

7 P.M.

Mayor Mike Duggan will kick off Black History Month – and our Undefeated celebration by interviewing Detroit native and N.Y. Times best-selling author **Alice Randall** about “Black Bottom Saints.”

FEB. 2

NOON

We will honor Detroit's historic sites and treasures by screening a film featuring local historian and tour guide Jamon Jordan.

7 P.M.

Detroit ACE will spotlight Detroit's rich history in theatre with a special performance.

FEB. 3

NOON

ACE Director Rochelle Riley will interview Chef Phil the godfather of Detroit and demonstrations from Chef Omar and cannabis expert Chef Nikki.

7 P.M.

A look at Black dance in Detroit through the years with Debra White-Hunt and the 35-year-old Detroit-Windsor Dance Academy.

8 P.M.

A celebration of spoken word, poetry and rap with Jessica Care Moore and a tribute to late Detroit Poet Laureate Naomi Long Madgett.

FEB. 4

We will salute the African American origins of jazz and celebrate fine arts with a **VIRTUAL ART EXHIBIT**, accompanied by a soundtrack featuring some of Detroit's legendary jazz artists.

FEB. 5

NOON

We will honor Detroit's excellence in architecture and black architects.

7 P.M.

We will celebrate fashion with designer Tracy Reese and Detroit *Is The New Black* founder Roslyn Karamoko

FEB. 6

4 P.M.

The celebration continues with a set featuring Detroit's best hip-hop, techno and rock in a virtual concert featuring Curtis Roach and a host of others.

7 P.M.

Rochelle interviews Crystal P. and Horace H.B. Sanders about the comedy landscape in Detroit, followed by a set featuring the comics and Rochelle in her second debut set.

FEB. 7

4 P.M.

The City is hosting a tribute to Detroit's African-American classical and operatic genius followed by a gospel concert, featuring stellar Detroit choirs.

MORE INFO COMING SOON
DETROITARTSANDCULTURE.COM

The Office of Arts Culture and Entrepreneurship (Detroit ACE) is asking creators to submit programming and performances for a monthly showcase highlighting the breadth and depth of exceptional talent in our city. We also will plan a variety of other projects to give our artists a chance to shine.