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**Black Art & Culture Expo Back for 2023**

**Racine, WI. November 1, 2022** - Mahogany Black Arts & Cultural Center is excited to announce the Wisconsin Black Art & Culture Expo returning for the second year in a row. 2023 brings what is affectionately referred to as Expo2, a collaborative and inclusive community celebration of Black creatives in the arts, locally, nationally and historically. Expo2 is an initiative of the Mahogany Black Arts & Cultural Center (MBACC), located in Racine, Wisconsin. Expo2 is a two-month long series of events that encompasses activities held at UW-Parkside, Mahogany Black Arts & Cultural Center, and other venues throughout Racine and Milwaukee.

The inaugural Expo in 2022 garnered over 3,000 attendees and participants both in-person and virtually. 2022 highlights included: an art exhibit which featured 12 visual artists from across the United States; an art industry panel discussion with practicing artists; live musical performances by musicians from New York, Chicago and Wisconsin; a large fashion show which showcased the work of Black clothing retailers and designers; an evening tribute to Black poets and the Black Women's roundtable.

Expo2 will bring a more robust schedule of arts-centered events including a Harlem Renaissance themed Black Tie Gala, the first Legacy in the Arts Awards, the renowned Sweatshop Movement Dance Company performance, a curated art exhibition, career development workshops for artists, the popular Night of Excellence Fashion Show and special events at Black-owned art and historic venues in Racine and Milwaukee.

Expo2 is excited to have the following organizations as a few of our key partners and sponsors, UW-Parkside, Racine Family YMCA, Froedtert Medical College of Wisconsin and Patton Law Office.

Expo2 will take place February 1 through March 31, 2023. To view the schedule of events and learn more about the Wisconsin Black Art & Culture Expo, go to:

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