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METRO DETROIT'S 34th ANNUAL GLOBAL MUSIC FESTIVAL

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"Get up, stand up, stand up for your rights!"

— Robert Nesta Marley

CONCERT of 34TH COLORS SCHEDULE

JULY
16-20,
2025

FOR SCHEDULE CHANGES WWW.CONCERTOFCOLORS.COM
ALL SHOWS ARE FREE

WEDNESDAY
JULY 16

DETROIT FILM THEATRE AT THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
ENTER FROM: 5200 JOHN R ST, DETROIT, MI 48202

8:00PM-9:30 PM

NIYAZ – THE FOURTH LIGHT PROJECT
Immersive multi-media experience w Turkish whirling, visuals+sound (Iran/Gulf region/India)

THURSDAY
JULY 17

DETROIT HISTORICAL MUSEUM/SOCIETY
5401 WOODWARD AVE, DETROIT, MI 48202

11:30 AM

NAFADA – AN AUDIO UPRISING (MENA REGION)

2:00 PM

NAFADA – AN AUDIO UPRISING
Female hip-hop artists from the MENA region+industrial, dark-wave electro music from West

5:30-6:15 PM

VICTOR GHANNAM (PALESTINE) & SEAN BLACKMAN'S (ARMENIA)
FEATURING DAVID MCMURRAY (EASTERN JAZZ) – HYE SALAM
A welcome to the festival.

6:45-7:30 PM

BAB L' BLUZ (MOROCCO)
Moroccan-French power quartet reclaim the blues for North Africa. World famous!

8:00-8:45 PM

LAITH AL-SAAD (MICHIGAN)
Blues aficionado. Finalist on The Voice!

MICHIGAN SCIENCE CENTER
5020 JOHN R ST, DETROIT, MI 48202

1:00-7:00 PM

ARTS & SCRAPS *Creative Family FUN!*

1:00-2:00 PM

SHASHU AMEN-RA *African dance class for all!*

4:00-5:00 PM

MAMBO MARCI *Beginners salsa class for all!*

THIRD MAN RECORDS
441 W CANFIELD ST, DETROIT, MI 48201

7:30 DOORS

NEBULA SOUND ENSEMBLE
21st-century experimental chamber music

9:00-10:00 PM

BEAUTIFUL NOISE *featuring Kash Killion, Scott Amendola, Ben Goldberg, Don Was, Gretchen Gonzales & Chris Peters (Detroit. Sound-scape cosmic vibes). Indie-space-pop foundations, rock and roll legacy! RESERVATIONS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED: www.concertofcolors.com*

SOSNICK COURTYARD
OUTSIDE THE DETROIT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF MAX M. & MARJORIE S FISHER MUSIC CENTER/ORCHESTRA HALL) 51 PARSONS ST, DETROIT, MI 48201

7:30-9:30 PM

NEW MUSIC DETROIT. VIRTUOSO
(New and experimental) Incredible contemporary classical collective works from the late-20th century to present.

FRIDAY
JULY 18

MICHIGAN SCIENCE CENTER
5020 JOHN R ST, DETROIT, MI 48202

1:00-2:00 PM

SHASHU AMEN-RA *African dance class for all!*

4:00-5:00 PM

MAMBO MARCI *Beginners salsa class for all!*

1:00-7:00 PM

ARTS & SCRAPS *FAMILY CREATIVE FUN!*

ARETHA FRANKLIN AMPHITHEATRE
2600 E ATWATER, DETROIT, MI 48207

9:00-10:00 PM

MAVIS STAPLES, THE LEGEND!!

7:15-8:15 PM

BAB L' BLUZ (MOROCCO)
Moroccan-French power quartet reclaim the blues for North Africa. World famous!

6:00-6:45 PM

LOVE LOGS SOUL/ROCK/WORLD *Get ready to dance!*

5:00-6:00 PM

SHASHU AMEN-RA *African dance.*

SATURDAY
JULY 19

SPOT LITE DETROIT
2905 BEAUFAIT ST #4, DETROIT, MI 48207

1:00-3:00 PM

CONCERT OF COLORS FORUM BY THE ARAB AMERICAN NATIONAL MUSEUM: “THE HOMELANDS IN OUR BODIES: EMBODYING ARTIVISM”
Moderator: Raed (founder of Yalla Punk); Keynote Speaker: Ijeoma Oluo; Speakers & Performers: Firas Zreik, Tongo Eisen-Martin, Raymond ‘Soufy’ Elwart Jr., Cyrah Dardas. Thought-provoking conversation.

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
SOUTH LAWN STAGE CHILDRENS’ STAGE & TENT

1:00-7:00 PM

YOUTH CELEBRATION
Free shows, hands-on activities under the big tent; tot play area; arts & crafts: musical maze

1:00-7:00 PM

HERITAGE WORKS
*West African Drum Workshop (hands-on in audience)
Writing Workshop: Detroit Poet Laureate Jessica Care moore:
Your Crown Shines children's book reading & workshop!!*

1:00-7:00 PM

THE CLAIRE ACADEMY OF MUSIC
Chinese musical performance & martial arts demo

DETROIT FILM THEATRE
LOCATED INSIDE THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

9:00-10:30 PM

DON WAS DETROIT ALLSTAR REVUE (BLUES)
wsg Thornetta Davis, Chris Canas, Herschel Boone, Tosha Owens, Laith Al-Saadi, Rev Robert Jones, Steffanie Christi'an, James Wailin, and Mitch Ryder. Detroit darling Don Was - Blue Note Records president - returns for this legendary performance!! FIRST COME FIRST SERVE. NO RSVP needed

6:00-7:30 PM

ELJURI (LATIN REGGAE ROCK, ECUADOR)
Award-winning Ecuadorian singer-songwriter/guitarist - a mirror on a generation! Don't miss it!

3:30-5:00 PM

SPANGLISH FLY
(INV. LATIN BOOGALOO, CELEBRATORY, 11-PIECE BAND)
Expect a dance floor packed with happy listeners! Arrive early!

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
NORTH LAWN STAGE

8:30-10:00 PM

YO LA TENGO (AMERICAN INDIE, HOBOKEN) *Wildly popular indie!*

7:30-8:30 PM

PATRICK GRANT/TILTED AXES (ON THE LAWN)
(Electric Guitar processional). Incredible experience!

6:00-7:30 PM

ASHA PUTHLI (INDIA. SPACY AVANTE GARDE DISCO JAZZ)
Wildly popular around the world- Superstar Indian-born singer in the 70s with a funky spacey ultra-cool sound!

3:30-5:00 PM

MATHANGI DANCE COMPANY (INDIAN/BOLLYWOOD DANCE-A-THON)
Popular Indian performing arts company!

SUNDAY
JULY 20

DETROIT FILM THEATRE
LOCATED INSIDE THE DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

8:00-9:30 PM

FEMI KUTI (NIGERIA)
Global superstar. Raised in Lagos. Eldest son of Afrobeat pioneer Fela Kuti. Powerful, story-telling, heart-breaking, energetic, inspiring and living legend!

5:00-6:30 PM

AFROFLOW: DETROIT TO ETHIOPIA W MIKE-E (ETHIOPIA•DETROIT)
Virtuoso musician and performer. Performance bridges Detroit to Ethiopia.

2:00-3:30 PM

WENDELL HARRISON TRIBUTE TO PHAROAH SANDERS (DETROIT)
American jazz clarinetist and tenor saxophonist. Jazz legend!

SUNDAY
JULY 20

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
SOUTH LAWN STAGE CHILDRENS’ STAGE & TENT

1:00-7:00 PM

YOUTH MAZE *TOTS PLAY AREA, HANDS ON DISCOVERY TENT*

1:00-7:00 PM

MUSICAL MAZE *LIVE STAGE PERFORMANCES*

1:00-7:00 PM

BALLET FOLKLORICO DETROIT *Mexican dance*

1:00-7:00 PM

CLAIR ACADEMY OF MUSIC
Chinese Erhu youth musician and martial artists

1:00-7:00 PM

DIA STUDIO *HANDS ON ARTS PROJECTS*

1:00-7:00 PM

IDY CISSE *West African Dance Demo & interactive*

1:00-7:00 PM

JESSICA CARE MOORE
Book reading and writing workshop by Detroit Poet Laureate

1:00-7:00 PM

DREAMS ARTS COMPANY *Youth theater company*

1:00-7:00 PM

HERITAGE WORKS DRUM ROLL *hands-on African drumming*

1:00-7:00 PM

MOSAIC YOUTH THEATER *Performing Arts Ensemble*

1:00-7:00 PM

RHONDA GREENE *Book reading and writing workshop*

1:00-7:00 PM

NANOU DJIAPO *African Drum & Dance Ensemble*

SOSNICK COURT AT THE DSO
*WOLVERINE STAGE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN DETROIT
51 PARSONS ST, DETROIT, MI 48201*

12:05 PM

CARMEN JACKSON *Modern jazz at its best!*

1:15 PM

JO SERRAPER (DETROIT) *Roots, folk, alt-country, blues and rock!*

2:30 PM

U OF M FLINT *Award-winning jazz act!*

3:45 PM

CHRIS CANAS BAND (DETROIT, BLUES)
“Detroit’s Prince Of The Blues”. Bringing the party and the dance!

5:00 PM

U OF M PERCUSSIONS *celebratory experience!*

6:15 PM

MARIACHI FEMENIL DETROIT (SOUTHWEST DETROIT, MARIACHI)
An all-female based mariachi power ensemble that breaks boundaries for women and little girls!

DETROIT INSTITUTE OF ARTS
NORTH STAGE OUTDOORS

9:30-11:00 PM

LIZ WARNER & SHIGETO, WDET DJ & DANCE NIGHT
Detroit progressive DJ sounds - Incredible show!

7:00-8:30 PM

WAR (CALIFORNIA, STREET BAND)
LEGENDS! YOU KNOW & LOVE! Low Rider, Spill the Wine, The Cisco Kid, and many more!

6:00-7:00 PM

TILTED AXES (ON LAWN) (NV)
Electric guitar processional lead by Patrick Grant that you must experience to believe!

4:30-6:00 PM

SHADOW SHOW (DETROIT)
Power trio 60’s garage-psychedelia into a 21st century modern pop-art incarnation!

SCARAB CLUB
217 FARNSWORTH ST, DETROIT., BEHIND THE DIA

6:00-7:30PM

KASSAN BELGRAVE & ALLEN DENNARD W DJ MELO (ACID JAZZ TRIO, BELGRAVE)
Detroit born and raised multi-reedist bearing a name with an incredible legacy, Kassan lives up to it! He joins Dennard, a celebrated mega talented Detroit-based trumpeter and recording artist with popular DJ Melo for a vibey acid jazz trio in this special intimate Historic art gallery space.

COLLEGE FOR CREATIVE STUDIES (CCS)
*201 E. KIRBY DETROIT, NEAR THE DIA
(CCS FORD CAMPUS SCULPTURE GARDEN STAGE)*

DETROIT’S DIVINE FIVE:
Legend! Come to this dance party at the beautiful sculpture garden of CCS! Ttop madam DJs. You’re either here for it - or you will miss it! Detroit’s Divine Five Are:

6:00-7:00 PM

DJ STACEY HOTWAXH

5:00-6:00 PM

DJ JENNY LA FEMME

4:00-5:00 PM

DJ LADY MONIH

3:00-4:00 PM

DJ TAYLOR MONAI

2:00-3:00 PM

DJ AUSET

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