

BLACK THEATRE DAY 2025 EVENTS

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Date	Region	Organization	Event Details
Starting 09/11	West	Willie Agee Playhouse	Inglewood, CA: <u>UN-Erasable Solo</u> <u>Festival</u>
			The Un-Erasable Solo Festival is a bold theatrical gathering spotlighting stories too often silenced. In an era where narratives are under attack, these solo performances stand as acts of defiance, raw, unfiltered, unforgettable.
			Tickets: \$15
09/17	Mid-America	The Ensemble Theatre	Houston, TX: Akleelah and the Bee Written by CHERYL L. WEST Based on the screenplay by DOUG ATCHISON Directed by EILEEN J. MORRIS
			Preview: Begin September 17 September 19 - October 12, 2025
			On September 17th, we will dedicate a preview performance of Akeelah and the Bee at the George W. Hawkins Mainstage

			Theatre, located at The Ensemble Theatre. Before the show begins, a special pre-show announcement will highlight the significance of Black Theatre Day. Tickets: \$25 - \$30.
09/17	South	Lumpy Grits Artistry	Shreveport, Louisiana: Lumpy Grits Artistry Celebrates Black Theatre Day An inspiring evening of student, professional, and community artists showcasing the power of Black Theatre through performances and recognition awards. Tickets: \$25
09/17 6pm	South	The Birmingham Black Repertory Theatre	Nashville, Tennessee: Denim & Diamonds: A Country Music Dinner Theatre Experience Explore the legacy of country music in the South through an engaging dinner theatre experience in the heart of Nashville, TN (food included) Tickets starting at \$55
09/17 6:30pm	Mid-Atlantic	Curated by Michael Dinwiddie	New York, NY: Syncopated Stages: Black Disruptions to the Great White Way Exhibition Opening Reception Curated by the late Michael Dinwiddie, Syncopated Stages: Black Disruptions to the Great White Way explores how Black artists transformed the New York stage and how their work still reverberates today.

09/17 7:30pm	Mid-Atlantic	The Essential Theatre	In honor of Black Theatre Day, The Essential Theatre will host a virtual panel on Wednesday, September 17th 7:30 pm (EDT) to promote the Sunday September 28th 2:30 pm (EDT) ceremonial reading of, ""Rock of Ages, by Iska, Directed by Kaia Calhoun, MFA. You can gain access to both presentations by visiting www.theessentialtheatre.org. More info at info@theessentialtheatre.org.
Starting 09/18	New England	Front Porch Arts Collective	The Mountaintop by Katori Hall Directed by Maurice Emmanuel
			September 19 - October 12, 2025
			The Mountaintop is a gripping reimagination of events the night before the assassination of the civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On April 3, 1968, after delivering one of his most memorable speeches, an exhausted Dr. King retires to his room at the Lorraine Motel while a storm rages outside. When a mysterious stranger arrives with some surprising news, King is forced to confront his destiny and his legacy to his people. The Mountaintop runs from September 19 - October 12 at the Modern Theatre in Downtown Boston. Tickets: \$5-50.
09/20 11am	South	The Black Drama School	Durham, NC: The Black Drama School will be hosting 'Books & Bevs' on September 20, 2025 from 11 AM - 3 PM to support our Fall programming. It will be a ticketed event with crafts, morning beverages, music and a curated shopping experience with Bright

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