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### WELCOME LETTER

Thank you for attending New Detroit's conference, Just Lead: Advancing Racial Equity. We're honored to bring you a conference devoted solely to racial equity that brings together a cross section of leadership and viewpoints. We hope to repeat the conference annually to continue this important conversation and begin to align our work to advance racial equity in the region and beyond.

Created in 1967, New Detroit's hallmark approach is to bring together diverse voices to seek collaborative solutions to dismantle racism.

Highlights of this year's conference include:

- An opening plenary with Dr. Abdul El-Sayed and Jeffery Robinson moderated by Rebecca Irby
- · A lunchtime fireside chat between Christy McDonald and Dr. Ibram X. Kendi
- Panels on the business case for racial equity, equity in education, health equity, the challenging role of the DEI professional, and moving from pledges to action
- A closing plenary with a cross-section of the region's leading racial justice organizations
- Interactive workshops
- · A walking tour of racially significant historic sites
- Great networking!

The conference also marks the formal launch of our new Just Institute. New Detroit's Just Institute is a comprehensive suite of certificated trainings and customized consulting. You can read more about the Just Institute on page 2 and visit the website <a href="here">here</a>. The workshop on day two of the conference, "Just Lead", is a sampling of a new Just Institute program. Please consider checking that out.

We are also working with the Michigan Diversity Council and Business Leaders for Michigan to explore a statewide association for DEI professionals. You can learn more about that at the DEI panel on day one of the conference.

There is so much more to tell you, and we know there is a lot to learn from you as well. We look forward to meeting you at the conference or in the near future.

Please enjoy the conference, and thank you for supporting New Detroit and racial equity.



Michael S. Rafferty President & CEO



**Cheryl P. Johnson** Chair



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## AGENDA (short)

#### Thursday, October 13, 2022

ALL DAY	Meditation & Reflection Cadillac	Cadillac B (5th Floor)
6:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Registration Open	Ambassador Bridge
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Breakfast	Ambassador Foyer
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Opening Plenary: Structural Racism	Ambassador Ballroom
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Networking Break	Ambassador Foyer
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	Luncheon: Fireside Chat with Dr. Ibram X Kendi - How to Be an Antiracist	Ambassador Ballroom
12:45 PM - 1:45 PM	The Business Case for Racial Equity	Marquette (5th Floor)
12:45 PM - 1:45 PM	What is Health Equity and Why Does it Matter?	Joliet (5th Floor)
12:45 PM - 1:45 PM	The Challenging Role of the DEI Professional	LaSalle (5th Floor)
1:45 PM - 2:15 PM	Networking Break	Ambassador Foyer
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	Equity in Education	Marquette (5th Floor)
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	Equity in Housing	Joliet (5th Floor)
2:15 PM - 3:15 PM	Leadership & Equity: Pledges & Action	LaSalle (5th Floor)
3:15 PM - 4:00 PM	Networking Break	Ambassador Foyer
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM	Tour (Optional) or Networking	Detroit Riverwalk
6:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Dinner & Reception	Ambassador Ballroom

#### Friday, October 14, 2022

ALL DAY	Meditation & Reflection	Cadillac B (5th Floor)
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	Breakfast	Ambassador Foyer
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Workshop: Healing the Epigenetic Effects of Racial Trauma	Marquette (5th Floor)
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#### Welcome, Purpose of Summit, Discussion of Systemic Racism.

We will spend the two-day conference exploring how systemic racism impacts our region and what we can do individually and collectively to shift our thinking and restructure our policies, and institutions to create a racially equitable region increasing prosperity and quality of life for all. You are attending this conference because you believe in this vision. Developing a shared vision and agenda requires a shared understanding of the problem to be solved. The opening plenary will set the stage for the conference with a deep discussion of how systemic racism evolved from our nation's beginnings and is now embedded in nearly every facet of our lives.



Moderator Rebecca Irby



Speaker

Abdul El-Sayed



Speaker
Jeffery Robinson

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Networking Break Luncheon: Fireside Chat with Dr. Ibram X Kendi -How to Be an Antiracist Ambassador Foyer
Ambassador Ballroom

#### How To Be An Antiracist.

When the first Black president headed into the White House, Americans were imagining their nation as colorblind and went so far as to call it post-racial. After the arrival of Donald Trump and the Black Lives Matter protests of 2020, many people began to awaken and see racial reality for the first time. With open minds, people are actively trying to understand racism. In this deeply personal and empowering lecture, Dr. Kendi shifts the discussion from how not to be racist, to how to be an antiracist. He shares his own racist ideas and how he overcame them. He provides direction to people and institutions who want more than just band-aid programs, but actual anti racist action that builds an anti racist America.



Moderator
Christy McDonald



Speaker

Dr. Ibram X Kendi

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM

The Business Case for Racial Equity

Marquette (5th Floor)

#### The Business Case for Racial Equity.

The U.S. economy could be \$8 trillion larger by 2050 if the country eliminated racial disparities in health, education, incarceration and employment. The gains would be equivalent to a continuous boost in GDP growth of 0.5 percent per year, increasing the competitiveness of the country for decades to come. Currently, entire cities like Detroit and Pontiac are opportunity deserts surrounded by a sea of economic opportunity. Improved economic policies such as access to capital and job training could help rebuild the urban middle class, eliminate these deserts, and lead to increased prosperity for all. The economy is not a zero sum game.



Moderator

Jamie Kaye Walters



Speaker
Peter Hammer



Speaker **Ani Turner** 

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM

What is Health Equity and Why Does it Matter?

Marquette (5th Floor)

#### What is Health Equity and Why Does it Matter?

While poor health in communities of color is often attributed to genetic differences, we know that race is a social construct and not a biological fact. Rather, the cause is inequitable policies and systems. Systemic racism in medicine is the most serious barrier to the advancement of health equity and appropriate medical care. Change starts with raising awareness levels of the disparities, as well as lessening the empathy gap that exists between different races and reshaping the narrative to focus our similarities rather than our differences.



Moderator Rashawn Ray



Speaker **Maricruz Moya** 



Speaker Ernest Yoder

12:45 PM - 1:45 PM

The Challenging Role of the DEI Professional

LaSalle (5th Floor)

#### The Challenging Role of DEI Professional

Institutions in all sectors—government, for profit, nonprofit—are hiring professionals to help them improve their DEI practices. But systems change is difficult, and this is new territory. New Detroit recently surveyed DEI directors to learn what tools and supports they need to be successful. This session will explore those findings as well as hear from a range of DEI professionals about challenges and successes in their work and how we can build this critical emerging field.



Moderator **Craig Fahle** 



Speaker KimArie Yowell



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Darlene King



Speaker Khalilah Spencer

1:45 PM - 2:15 PM

**Networking Break** 

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

**Equity in Education** 

**Ambassador Foyer** 

Marquette (5th Floor)

#### **Equity in Education**

For too long, our state has prioritized equal funding over equitable funding. Michigan has been one of the worst states in the nation for fair and equitable funding as compared to leading education states. Students have not received the full funding that the state budget has prescribed in many of the past years, amounting to millions of lost dollars for students with the greatest needs.



Moderator
Andrew Stein



Speaker
Alice G. Thompson



Speaker **Dr. M. Roy Wilson** 

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

**Equity in Housing** 







Moderator **Donna Givens Davidson** 



Speaker **Ken Coleman** 



Speaker Sarida Scott

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

Leadership & Equity: Pledges & Action

LaSalle (5th Floor)

#### **Leadership & Equity: Pledges & Action**

The dual pandemic of COVID-19 and racial injustice came to a head with the murder of George Floyd on May 25, 2020, motivating many of Detroit's corporate elites and long-standing racial justice leaders to double down on racial equity, with bold new pledges and action.



Moderator Charity Dean



Speaker
Chase Cantrell



Speaker **Dwan Dandridge** 



Speaker **Dug Song** 



Speaker

Jackie Victor



Speaker **Donald Dennis** 

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9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Workshop: Healing the Epigenetic Effects of Racial Trauma

#### **Racial Healing**

Racism and racial discrimination has negatively impacted the physical and mental health of African-Americans for generations. It's widely accepted that there are emotional and behavioral effects of racial inequalities, yet very few have discussed the biological effects of systemic racism.

Research has proven there are trauma-induced epigenetic changes that occurred in subsequent generations of holocaust survivors, which would lead one to reasonably conclude that 400 years of slavery, Jim Crow laws, and racial discrimination has had epigenetic changes in African-Americans. These genetic changes can partially explain the disparities in the prevalence of both physical and mental diseases that exist in Black America. To delve even deeper, if changes have occurred in the oppressed and their generations that followed, what epigenetic changes have occurred in White America with the concept of superiority ingrained as their birthright?



Speaker

Dr. Rose Moten

Dr. Rose Moten, a Detroit based psychologist and founder of Bloom Transformation Center, will discuss the biological effects racial inequality has had on both the oppressed as well as the oppressor.

As featured on a WDIV Prime Time Special on Mental Health, learn an effective, revolutionary technique to rid and recover your mind and body from the devastating effects of stress and trauma. In this two-hour session, you will learn a life-long wellness tool you can use at any time to regulate and balance your body's stress response and ultimately reverse the damaging biological effects for generations to come.

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Workshop: Allyship & Co-Liberation

LaSalle (5th Floor)

#### **Allyship & Co-Liberation**

Acting in allyship means one seeks to understand what it feels like for another person or group to be oppressed, and despite knowing you will never fully understand how it feels, valuing and supporting people who are marginalized by speaking up.



Speaker

Jannah Bierens

The ultimate goal is to move from allyship toward co-liberation. In this workshop you will learn to differentiate between solidarity, allyship, accomplice, co-liberation and more. Learn where you sit on the spectrum and deepen your analysis around spatial, systemic, systematic, institutional and structural racism. Move from theory to praxis in the struggle against anti-Black racism and the system of white supremacy.

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9:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Workshop: Just Lead

Joliet (5th Floor)

#### **Just Lead**

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Speaker Rebecca Irby



Speaker Marshalle Montgomery Favors

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM Networking Break Closing Plenary Lunch Ambassador Foyer Ambassador Ballroom

#### **Closing Plenary**

A cross-section of the region's leading racial justice organizations will reflect on what we heard during the conference and where we go from here to advance regional racial equity.



Moderator Stephen Henderson



Speaker
Ashley Carter
Michigan Justice Fund



Speaker **Gloria Lara** Lakeshore Ethnic Diversity Alliance



Speaker **Atty. John E. Johnson, Jr.**Michigan Department of Civil Rights



Speaker Michael S. Rafferty New Detroit, Inc.

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Speaker

#### Friday, October 14, 2022

#### Cont ...

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Speaker Steve Spreitzer Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion

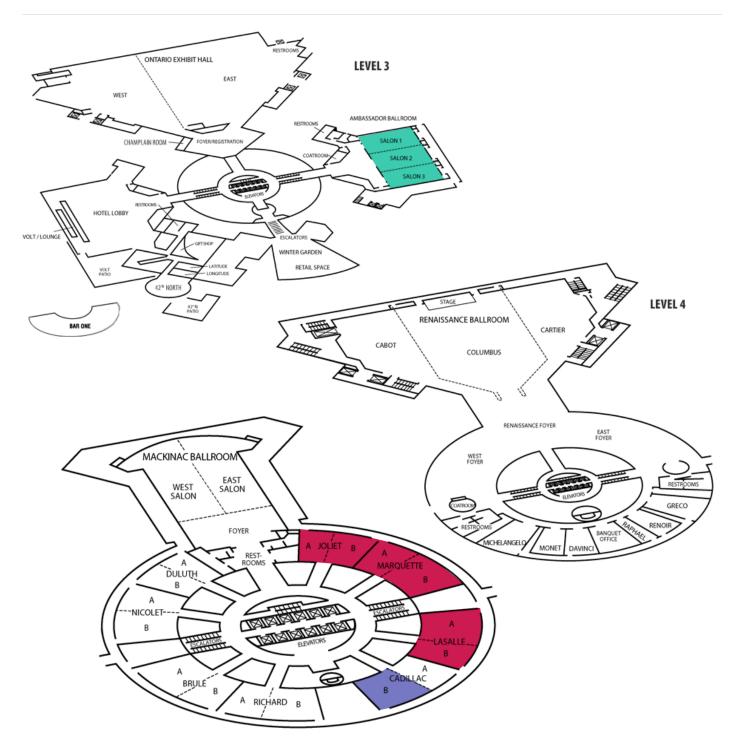


Speaker **Nakia Wallace** Detroit Will Breathe



Speaker
Alia Harvey-Quinn
Force Detroit, Director - Faith in Action

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The Challenging Role of the DEI Professional.

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Since then, New Detroit, Inc. has been a unique and valuable arena where leaders of Detroit's business, civic, grassroots, and religious communities have come together to plan cooperative strategies and to demonstrate their commitment to the city and its environs.

On July 6, 2020, in response to the dual pandemic of COVID-19 and racial injustice (which had come to a head with the murder of George Floyd on May 25), standing alongside 30 of Detroit's most prominent business, political and philanthropic leaders in front of the "United We Stand" sculpture at the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, New Detroit declared War on Racism.

Our renewed vision is to dismantle racism through systems change and by moving hearts and minds. We do this as an institutional thought leader, an advocate for policy change, and as a catalyst for collective action. Our work is organized around these three strategies, and includes training, education, research, advocacy, and partnerships to fight racism at the personal, institutional, and systemic levels.

Our nation was built and continues to be based on white supremacy. To undo years of deeply embedded perceptions, beliefs, policies, and systems, it is critical that people understand the root causes and implications of white supremacy, what actions are needed at all levels to undo racism and achieve racial equity, and how to act individually and collectively to effect that change.

We believe that change begins locally, and as the country's first racial justice coalition in one of the nation's most segregated cities, New Detroit can lead the nation as a model for change.

You can read more about New Detroit <u>here</u>, and stay in touch by signing up for our newsletter <u>here</u>. Please also follow us on social media. And consider supporting our work with a donation <u>here!</u>



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RACIAL UNDERSTANDING - Understanding that race is not biological. The history of race as a social construct. Understanding structures of racism.

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The history of racism as it relates to racial justice in America in relationship to race, laws and policies in the U.S.

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