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GOSPEL FEST MIAMI

Second annual celebration of gospel music history and culture returns in February with the Arsht Gospel Choir Invitational and free concerts throughout Miami-Dade County, culminating with Gospel Fest Miami in June 2026

A weekend of free concerts, gospel conversations and a final concert starring national and local gospel acts

Miami, FL – January 2026 – The Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County ([@arshtcenter](https://www.arshtcenter.org)) is proud to present the return of GOSPEL FEST MIAMI, the months-long celebration of gospel music, history and culture. The celebrations will kick off on February 14, 2026 with the second annual ARSHT GOSPEL CHOIR INVITATIONAL, a free choral competition where collegiate, community and church choirs from across Florida are invited to compete for a cash prize and the opportunity to perform at the second-annual GOSPEL FEST MIAMI WEEKEND on June 20-21, 2026 alongside headliners to be announced soon. The festival will also feature free seminars and panel discussions exploring the history of gospel music, choir workshops and more.

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Gospel Fest Miami is made possible with support from the community, including longtime Arsht supporters Michelle and Rodney C. Adkins along with Melanie and Martin Kirshner and Effie and Nelson Adams.



For guests with [accessibility needs](#), the Arsht provides accessible seating and complimentary assistive listening devices for all performances, along with sign language interpretation, open captioning, and audio description at select shows to ensure an inclusive experience for all guests.

This year's lineup for Gospel Fest Miami is as follows:

ARSHT GOSPEL CHOIR INVITATIONAL

Saturday, February 14, 2026 at 6 p.m.

Knight Concert Hall

Pay What You Can - Suggested \$20

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Back for its second year, the Arsht Gospel Choir Invitational welcomes choirs from all backgrounds to compete for the cash grand prize and the opportunity to perform at Gospel Fest Miami. This year's participating choirs are Florida A&M University Gospel Choir; Florida Memorial University Ambassador Chorale; Holy Cross Lutheran Praise Choir; Mt. Pisgah Mass Choir; and Renewed Choir. The choirs will take the Knight Concert Hall stage to perform their show, highlighting their vocal skills with originality, creativity and showmanship for a panel of judges and a live audience!

The invitational will be hosted by gospel singer, songwriter and producer Corey Edwards, and judges include gospel agent Kelvin Leach; Arsht Gospel Council member and music educator Zipporah Hayes; and Gamaliel Fleurantin, leader of last year's Gospel Choir Invitational winner, Community Sounds.

To keep the performing arts accessible to all, this performance will be offered as *Pay What You Can*. Tickets are free, and guests are invited to contribute the suggested ticket price of \$20 (or more) to help sustain live arts experiences for the people of Miami-Dade County.

GOSPEL ON THE ROAD

FREE

PHOTO LINK [HERE](#)

The soul-stirring sound of gospel music is hitting the streets! Gospel on the Road is a series of pop-up performances featuring dynamic local artists bringing joy, inspiration and powerful vocals to unexpected places throughout the community.

Gospel on the Road performances are free to the public and will take place on the following dates and locations across Miami-Dade County:

February 21, 2026 at 4 p.m.

Loren Roberts Park

545 NW 6 Ave

Florida City, FL 33034



FREE- [RSVP HERE](#)

March 29, 2026 at 5 p.m.

Betty T. Ferguson Recreational Complex
3000 NW 199th St
Miami Gardens, FL 33056
FREE - [RSVP HERE](#)

April 19, 2026 at 5 p.m.

Domino Park
1444 SW 8th St
Miami, FL 33135
FREE - [RSVP HERE](#)

GOSPEL FEST MIAMI

June 20-21, 2026

Knight Concert Hall

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Gospel Fest Miami is a two-day, soul-stirring festival explores the rich tapestry of gospel music and its deep-rooted impact on our history and culture. This year's festival will feature pre-show artist conversations at the Arsht with historians speaking on the rich history of gospel music and its influence on culture; workshops for vocalists of all skill levels; a free performance by some of Miami's popular gospel acts, and more - all culminating with a star-studded concert featuring national headliners alongside local acts and the winners of the Arsht Gospel Choir Invitational.

Detailed information about the lineup, ticket prices and on-sale dates will be announced at a later date.

ABOUT ARSHT IMPACT PROGRAMS

Gospel Fest Miami is one of the more than a dozen ongoing Arsht Impact programs that create magical experiences and enrich the lives of more than 120,000 people of all ages in Miami, for free. Programs include: [Arsht for Miami](#), a vibrant series of free community events for all ages; [Heritage Fest](#), which celebrates Black artists in our community; [AileyCamp Miami](#), a full-scholarship, six-week summer camp which uses dance as a vehicle for the personal development of young people; [CommuniTea Dance](#), an annual celebration honoring Miami's LGBTQ+ community; [Arsht on the Road](#), a series of pop-up performances that bring the arts into Miami-Dade County's diverse neighborhoods; [Arsht Plus](#), interactive pre- and post-show experiences connecting audiences more deeply with each Broadway, classical and dance performance; [Accessing the Arts Residencies](#), performance workshops for children and adults with disabilities; and [Brushes with Cancer](#), a program that matches artists with patients, survivors and caregivers touched by cancer to create art reflective of their journeys.



*All programs, artists, ticket prices, availability, dates and times are subject to change without notice. Tickets shown include taxes and fees. Visit ArshtCenter.org for up-to-date information.

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About the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts of Miami-Dade County

Since opening in 2006 in the heart of downtown, the Arsht proudly serves as the cultural pulse of Miami – the heart of magical live arts experiences that spark the imagination and connect people to one another. Whether on our stages or in your neighborhood, the Arsht is alive year-round with international artists, innovative programming from [resident companies](#) and local arts partners, free community events that reflect Miami’s unique identity and more than 100 culturally diverse and impactful learning experiences for 80,000 children every year.

The Arsht, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, has been recognized as a leader in the Miami’s cultural transformation, producing more than 400 annual events that generate 11,500 local jobs and \$125 million in economic impact. The Arsht is home to a robust series of touring Broadway musicals, star-studded jazz and classical music concerts curated for South Florida, an award-winning Miami-based theater program and numerous historic and televised events. Free annual Arsht events, such as Gospel Fest Miami, Art + Mind Day, Heritage Fest and our LGBTQ+ Pride celebration bring together people from all corners of our community. For more information, visit ArshtCenter.org.