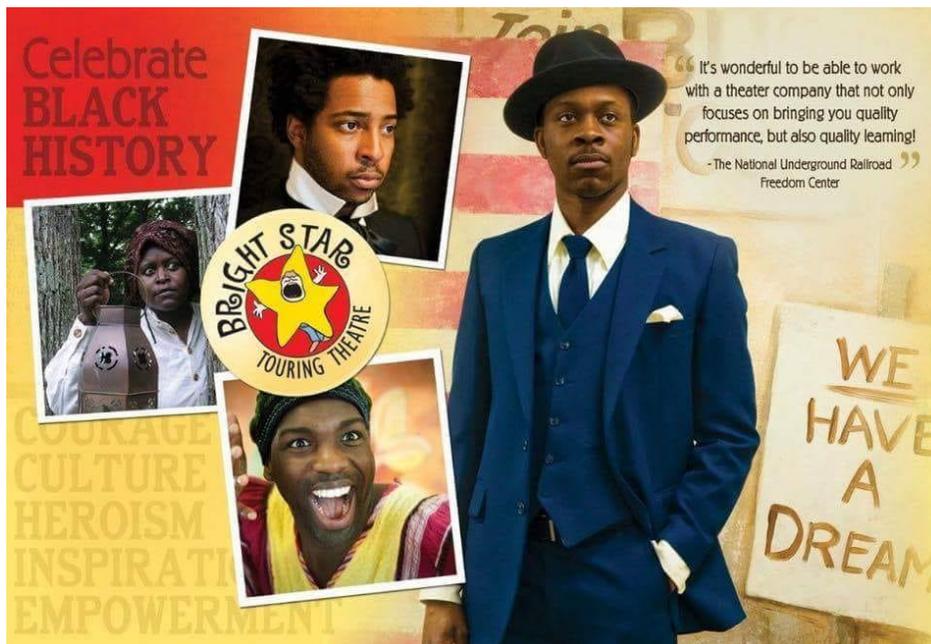




A Special Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration at the Bruce

Greenwich Museum to host performances by Bright Star Touring Theatre at special school-holiday program on January 21



GREENWICH, CT, January 3, 2019 – In celebration of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the Bruce Museum in Greenwich, CT, is hosting **Winter Family Day** on Monday, January 21, 10 am – 4 pm. Recommended for families with children under 10, this special school-holiday program will feature hands-on arts projects and live performances that help put in perspective Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy and teachings.

Create artwork inspired by MLK's values of compassion, love, courage, and forgiveness. Engage in thoughtful activities that get you thinking about your community. Enjoy live performances by the Bright Star Touring Theatre Company at 11:00 am, "Heroes of the Underground," and at 1:00 pm, "Let It Shine."

Based in Asheville, NC, Bright Star specializes in literary, curriculum, and character-education based performances. "Heroes of the Underground" tells the fascinating story



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of the brave men and women who dared to escape slavery, and the people, like Harriett Tubman and Henry “Box” Brown, who helped along the way.

“Let It Shine” brings to life the leading figures of the Freedom Riders of the 1960s with inspiring songs of the American Civil Rights Movement. The plays are 45 minutes in length and include a Q&A. Seating for the performances is limited, so please arrive early to ensure a space for you and your children.

Families are encouraged to give back on MLK Day and will receive free admission to Winter Family Day by contributing to our community food and clothing drive with **Neighbor to Neighbor**, a non-profit organization dedicated to serving residents in need throughout the Greenwich area. Staples like oatmeal, canned fruit, and dried beans are most needed; household items are also welcome, in particular gloves, hats, mittens, and diapers.

The Bruce Museum will be providing engaging experiences and activities for young children and their caregivers throughout the winter. Scheduled programs include:

- **Family Gallery Tours**, Sundays, 11:30 – 12:15 pm (ages 6-10)
- **Art Adventures**, Sundays, 1-3 pm (ages 4 and up)
January 13: Small Sculptures
January 27: Create Your Own Cartoon
- **Science Sundays**, 1-3 pm (ages 4 and up)
January 20: Building Design
- **Bruce Beginnings**, Tuesdays, 11-11:45 am and 1-1:45 am (ages 2.5-5)
January 15: Flower Power
January 22: Arctic Pals
January 29: Cartoon Time
- **Bruce Beginnings Jr.** (ages 10-24 months)
January 10, 9:45-10:45 am
- **Design Time: Imagination Playground block play** (ages 2 and up)
January 17, 1-2 pm.

Expose your child to the very best in art, science, and culture this year at the Bruce, and the benefits will last a lifetime! Join the Museum as a family, and you'll support a great place and end up saving money. The family membership is \$65 (\$45 of which is tax deductible) and members enjoy free admission for the year. Visit brucemuseum.org for a complete list of benefits and to join online.

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About the Bruce Museum

The Bruce Museum is located in a park setting just off I-95, exit 3, at 1 Museum Drive in Greenwich, Connecticut. The Museum is also a 5-minute walk from the Metro-North Greenwich Station. The Museum is open Tuesday through Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm; closed Mondays and major holidays. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and students with ID, and free for members and children less than five years. Individual admission is free on Tuesday. Free on-site parking is available and the Museum is accessible to individuals with disabilities. For additional information, call the Bruce Museum at 203-869-0376 or visit brucemuseum.org.

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