

**“Creating a More Beloved Community”
City of Keene 2025 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Event
Exhibit of Student Writing and Visual Art and Pieces for Performance
January 20, 2024**

Call for Submissions

The City of Keene’s Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Event Committee invites students grades K through 12 in public, charter, private, and home schools to submit creative writings, essays, poetry, visual art, music and dance routines that reflect on the theme “**Creating a More Beloved Community.**” Pieces selected by the event committee will be displayed in the Atrium of the Keene Public Library and/or performed at the City of Keene Dr. Martin Luther King event on January 20, 2025 at Heberton Hall in the Keene Public Library.

We encourage (but do not require) submissions to reflect on the event’s theme, which is inspired by Dr. King’s 1956 speech entitled “Facing the Challenge of a New Age.” Dr. King delivered this speech at the First Annual Institute on Nonviolence and Social Change in Montgomery, Alabama, on December 3rd, 1956. To read the full speech, [CLICK HERE](#) or <https://tinyurl.com/MLKFacingChallengeNewAge>.

In creating pieces for submission, students are encouraged to think about: *What does Martin Luther King’s vision of the ‘beloved community’ look like to you? What can you and the rest of us do to make our community more beloved.*

Submissions must be submitted no later than Monday, January 6th through the [Keene MLK Writing & Art Exhibit Google Form](#) or <https://tinyurl.com/Keene2025MLKSubmission>. If you do not have easy access to a computer, please bring your submissions directly to Amy Kraemer, Head of Youth and Community Services, Keene Public Library, 60 Winter St. in Keene, N.H. 03431.

For more information contact Amy Kraemer at 603-757-0616 or akraemer@keenenh.gov.



QR to MLK Writing & Arts Exhibit Google Form

Download a copy of this Call for Submissions at <https://tinyurl.com/KeeneMLK25CallforSubmissions/>

This event is a program of the City of Keene’s Human Rights Committee, who thanks the Keene Public Library, SAU29, the Keene Family Y, Monadnock Youth Coalition, Monadnock Interfaith Project, and the Keene Sentinel for their assistance. This event is not a school-sponsored program.

