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Now Thru April 5 - Give Downtown a Rebound!

Make an assist to keep your favorite businesses in the dance! Downtown's collection of independent, small businesses need your support now, more than ever, and tournament time is a great chance to show them you're a fan.

Post Up or Box Out

We've got a pretty deep bench of bars and restaurants where you can bring your brackets and safely and responsibly watch the action while supporting small businesses. Or, if you plan to watch the games at home, run out before tipoff to get your carryout wings, cocktails to go, full meals and other grub. Find business info and more at downtowndayton.org/open.



Shoot Your Shot to Win Prizes!

You can also win prizes for supporting downtown businesses, with the **Downtown Scorecard!** [Download your scorecard here](#) and complete the challenges for a chance to win Downtown Dollars! Get all the rules and more info [here](#).

Also This Week



March 20 - The Best of John Williams

*Dayton Performing Arts Alliance;
Schuster Performing Arts Center,
Second & Main sts.;*
6 & 8:30 p.m. live in theater,
Live stream online at 8:30 p.m.

John Williams has been creating movie music since 1959. This March, the Williams musical magic continues as Neal Gittleman and the Dayton Philharmonic prepare a Pops performance that pays tribute to music from this Hollywood legend. [Tickets and info](#).

OPEN* BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

WHEAT PENNY OVEN & BAR

Get to know Wheat Penny Oven & Bar in our OPEN* Business Spotlight!

In this series, we profile some of the small businesses that make downtown great! We ask a series of questions about each business, letting them tell you about themselves in their own words, including their background, what services they offer, how they're responding to the pandemic challenges, and more. It's a great way to learn more about your favorite businesses, or discover a new spot you may not be familiar with yet.

This week, Liz Valenti tells us how her Italian family background and desire to share the love with the community led to opening a local favorite restaurant in downtown Dayton.

[Click here to read about Wheat Penny](#)



Submit your events for inclusion in this e-newsletter and our online calendar!

We know that more and more of our downtown businesses have begun to reopen, expand hours, or find creative ways to host events in person or online in recent weeks.

If you are holding an event downtown that is open to the public, be sure to submit it to us for consideration to be included not only in these weekly emails, but also in our online calendar of downtown events! We're happy to help you promote it.

You can submit your event via our website with the simple online form [here](#).

DOWNTOWN EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Thru March 31 - DCDC: All about Love: A Digital Book Experience

Online.

A love note to the Dayton community wrapped up in the beauty and elegance of bodies in perpetual motion. A digital book that comes alive with every turn of the page. It is the exploration of mattering that we need at this moment. This broadcast will be available for unlimited viewing between 12am on Sunday March 14, 2021 and 11:50pm on Wednesday, March 31, 2021. Only 1 ticket is needed per household. Get your tickets at DaytonLive.org or call 228-3630. You may also purchase a limited edition print book "Love Notes" with photos and poetry.

March 19 - Mystery Dinner Theater

[Spaghetti Warehouse](#), 36 W. Fifth St.; 7 p.m. Who is the Spy Who Could Not Die? You're invited to find out at the NEW! Dayton Spaghetti Warehouse Mystery Dinner Theatre every Friday in March! The mystery may involve you as you may be even asked to play a part in the show. Meanwhile, enjoy a delicious dinner, including salad, sourdough bread, a select entree, beverage, dessert and lots of fun. Only \$39.95 per person plus tax and gratuity. Dinners begin at 7 pm and are limited to the first 40 guests. All safety protocols followed. Call 937-461-3913 to make reservations.

March 19-August 15 - Exhibit: Bukang Y. Kim: Journey to the East

[Dayton Art Institute](#), 456 Belmonte Park North; call for times The Dayton Art Institute will reopen on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, beginning Friday, March 19. More information about museum policies and procedures, as well as planning a visit, may be found at daytonartinstitute.org/visit. March 19-August 15, see an immersive installation of paintings by Bukang Y. Kim, the internationally recognized Cincinnati-based artist. Kim's paintings blend abstraction and naturalism and create a rich dialogue between East and West. The series of 10 paintings is based on the sublime Siberian landscape.

March 20 - Outdoor Market

[2nd Street Market](#), 600 E. Second St.; 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Five Rivers MetroParks' 2nd Street Market will reopen its outdoor market so the public can buy fresh produce, meat, and dairy from local farmers. The Market will be open only on Saturdays from 9 AM to 1 PM, rain or shine. All shoppers will be required to wear face coverings that cover their mouth and nose to protect the health and safety of the Market's staff, vendors and volunteers, as well as their own health and safety. Those who would like to shop from local farmers but would prefer to do so online can access links to Market vendors' websites and social media pages at metroparks.org/localfood.

March 20 - Introducing... Mikee Huber and Alcohol Inks

10 a.m., online.

Virtually join the DSA for an alcohol ink workshop over Zoom! Meet instructor, Mikee Huber, and learn about her artistic practice. Follow along and use the kit included in registration to create four of your own alcohol ink coasters. Registration is limited. (If the \$5 is cost prohibitive, e-mail director@daytondsa.org or call 937-228-4532 for free registration!) [More info and registration](#).

March 21 - Third Sunday Market

[Front Street Complex](#), 1001 E. Second St.; 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Fine Art, jewelry, home goods, fashion, and decor are just some of the things Front Street's local vendors and artists offer. Meet and greet the painters, potters, glass artists, photographers, ceramicists, carpenters, sculptors, and creatives that call Front Street home. Stay warm while shopping with vendors inside the CD hall. Scott Lindberg returns with his acoustic guitar. Grab lunch in the courtyard from The Rolling Oasis Treat Truck. 3rd Sunday is free to attend. Visit frontstreet.art for more information.

March 21 - MLK Dialogues

4-5 p.m. on Zoom.

The popular **MLK Dialogue** series is a bi-monthly program of the Dayton International Peace Museum. The program, "MLK Dialogues: Letter from a Birmingham Jail," is a retrospective consideration, 58 years later, of the questions Martin Luther King Jr. raised in his Letter from a Birmingham Jail. [Donations](#) to the Dayton International Peace Museum are welcome. [Click here to register](#) for the program.

March 24 - Wednesday Trivia at Troll Pub

[Troll Pub at the Wheelhouse](#), 216 Wayne Ave.; 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Do you have a bunch of useless knowledge and absolutely nowhere to put it? Do you love Trivia? Join Troll Pub for three rounds of general knowledge trivia, followed by a fourth audio visual and music round! Get there early to get your seat and grab dinner. Prizes go to top performing teams! No phones, teams of 6 or less, FREE to play.

March 25 - PNC Tiny Thursdays at Home

Online.

Are you a toddler with an awesome parent/grandparent/caregiver who likes to take you to fun, creative weekday programs? Join The Dayton Art Institute on Thursdays for the popular child and caregiver preschool program, PNC Tiny Thursdays. Ages 2-5 and a caregiver (baby siblings welcome) are invited for story time, a gallery visit and a make-and-take art project. Every month features a different theme, and each week investigates new stories and DAI collection artworks. [More info](#).

March 25 - Virtual Tequila Tasting

6 p.m., online.

Join Big Brothers Big Sisters for a virtual tasting led by Dan Becherano, Master Blender with Cantera Negra Tequila in Mexico City. Taste five all natural, hand-crafted tequilas paired with El Meson's Latin flatbreads and a specialty cocktail. Your tastebuds will not be disappointed while raising funds to support youth mentoring through BBBS Miami Valley. \$60 per person, \$110 per couple, \$210 per group of four. [Registration and info](#)

Support Our Local Small Businesses When They Need You the Most!

The pandemic has been hard on all of us. So much of what we consider normal has changed, and we've all had to find ways to adapt. In downtown Dayton, the pandemic has been especially difficult for our great collection of independent small businesses who provide the products and services we love. We encourage you to continue to support these local businesses during this difficult time in any way you can. They're the backbone of our community, and they need our support more than ever.

If you miss your favorite local, independent businesses, check out our lists of what's OPEN*. We've put together a list of downtown [restaurants](#) with **carry out**, **curbside pickup**, or **delivery** services, as well as those open **outdoor or indoor**. Many of our [retail and service businesses](#) also have found creative ways to continue doing what they do. Check out virtual experiences and other ways to stay busy and have fun with our [OPEN* - Things to Do](#) page!

Now, more than ever, it's a great time to support local businesses and Be Downtown.



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About the Event

Over the last year, mental health has become one of the most talked about challenges for American workers and their employers. Even with brighter days ahead, the mental health crisis is here to stay and how employers support their employees will become an employee retention and attraction issue as the economy recovers.

In partnership with the American Psychological Association, we are hosting a national conversation on why employers need to support their employees' mental health and how employers can create a supportive culture.

**THURSDAY
April 29**

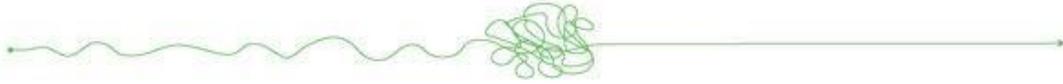


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Strong leadership shouldn't be confined to the top of your organization. Having first-level supervisors who can engage, manage, and inspire your workforce is more critical today than ever before in this time of challenge and change. The University of Dayton Center for Leadership offers a comprehensive supervisory leadership certificate program that combines mentoring, assessments, and ten days of hands-on, interactive training. Participants leave this program with a solid foundation that can immediately be applied in the workplace.



Next cohort starts May 20

This interactive six-month (10 class) certificate program helps new and experienced front-line leaders develop those critical skills necessary to maximize individual and team performance. It's ideal for new or experienced supervisors or individuals preparing for a leadership role. [Apply now](#) for this program that focuses on such critical topics as:

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Contact April Mescher at 937-229-2664 or amescher1@udayton.edu to discuss your ideal candidate or to apply.



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