

## MEDIA ADVISORY & INVITATION

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### ***On the Table* topics vastly diverse, essential for future**

**More than 5,000 people** across the region are poised to participate in the Greater Milwaukee Foundation's *On the Table MKE* initiative on Oct. 17, where they will build relationships and apply their passion and knowledge to improving quality of life in our communities.

#### **What is *On the Table MKE*?**

*On the Table* is an opportunity for people throughout Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Washington and Waukesha counties to generate ideas around topics and issues they identify as important and take action to build and sustain our communities.

#### **How does it work?**

People from every sector of the community have stepped forward as *On the Table* hosts, each inviting small groups of people to gather, all on the same day, for mealtime conversations focused on topics of mutual interest that they believe could lead to a stronger, more equitable region.

#### **Why should I care?**

*On the Table* will inspire action through ideas developed directly by the community. Engagement within so many different parts of our community – neighborhoods, corporations, nonprofits, faith communities, schools and colleges, volunteers and professionals, municipalities, philanthropy, leaders and organizers – demonstrates the enthusiasm for collaboration and change.

#### **When & where?**

- Tuesday, **Oct. 17, 2017**.
- Throughout the day and evening
- Throughout the region
- Follow [#onthetableMKE](https://twitter.com/onthetableMKE) for real-time engagement. More at [onthetableMKE.org](http://onthetableMKE.org)

## ACCESSIBLE TO MEDIA

The following tables are open to accommodating news media either before during or after their conversations. Topics, times and locations all listed alphabetically by host below:

#### **Aurora Health Care & ONE MKE**

- **Topic/Theme:** Collaborating on community issues, including health care, education and employment
- **Location:** Aurora Conference Center, 2920 W. Dakota St., Milwaukee
- **Time:** 5-7:30 p.m. (networking and welcome 5-5:30, table conversations 5:45-7, wrap-up 7-7:30)
- **On-site contacts:** Vivian King and Erickajoy Daniels c/o Sophia Barnes, 414-739-0177

- **Additional:** Event is a collaboration between Aurora and ONE MKE, an organization dedicated to fostering and retaining a diverse pipeline of talent and improving cultural competence. There will be nine total table conversations with one fully accessible to media.

## Calvary Presbyterian Church

- **Topic/Theme:** MKE Placemaking. Housing. Home.
- **Location:** Calvary Presbyterian Church, 935 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee
- **Time:** 6 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Jonnie Guernsey, 414-719-1816
- **Additional:** Participants will include organizations serving the homeless as well as individuals who have received public housing

## Cardinal Stritch University

- **Topic/Theme:** Creating a Caring Community, the Franciscan value of the 2017-18 year
- **Location:** Sister Camille Kliebhan Conference Center, Bonaventure Hall, 6801 N. Yates Road, Milwaukee
- **Time 1:** 7:30-9 a.m.
- **Time 2:** 11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- **Time 3:** 12:30 p.m.-1:15 p.m.
- **Time 4:** 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Kathleen Hohl, 414-391-6193
- **Additional:** There are four sessions taking place on campus at different times, all including students, faculty, alumni, university partners and members of the community.

## Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI), a City of Milwaukee/HACM project

- **Topic/Theme:** Public spaces in the CNI area and how they could be enhanced through creative placemaking and other activities
- **Locations (3):**
  - McGovern Park, 5400 N. 51st St., Milwaukee
  - Carmen Playfield, 7320 W. Carmen Ave., Milwaukee, on plaza, next to utility building
  - Westlawn Gardens Heritage Green, 62nd & Custer Avenue, Milwaukee, picnic shelter
- **Time:** 4-6 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Paul Williams, (414) 224-0528

## Ex Fabula

- **Topic/Theme:** Raising our voices – leveraging our stories for greater community impact
- **Location:** Hotwater Warehouse, 818 S. Water St., Milwaukee
- **Time:** 6:15 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Jeremy Podolski, 414-732-4298
- **Additional:** *On the Table* precedes Ex Fabula's Season 9 debut story slam, "What Could Go Wrong?"

## GE Healthcare

- **Topic/Theme:** Fostering greater community and economic vitality in the context of companies needing strong communities in order to attract and retain talent
- **Location 1:** Riverside High School (Room 207), 1615 E. Locust St., Milwaukee
  - **Time:** 7:45-9:15 a.m.

- **On-site contact:** Kelly Skindzelewski, 414-748-6976
- **Location 2:** GE Healthcare, 9900 W. Innovation Drive, Wauwatosa
  - **Time:** 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
  - **On-site contact:** Kelly Skindzelewski, 414-748-6976
- **Location 3:** GE Healthcare, 3000 N. Grandview Blvd., Waukesha
  - **Time:** 7:30 a.m.
  - **On-site contact:** Steven Brown
- **Additional:** Each site brings together participants from business, education, civic and nonprofit sectors

### Hispanic Professionals of Greater Milwaukee

- **Topic/Theme:** Improving quality of life in our communities
- **Location:** Mexican Fiesta, 2997 S. 20<sup>th</sup> St., Milwaukee
- **Time:** 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Griselda Aldrete, 414-223-4615
- **Additional info:** Will include multiple tables

### The Marcus Corporation “Super Chat”

- **Topic/Theme:** More than 30 simultaneous table conversations, each with a different topic
- **Location:** Pfister Hotel, Grand Ballroom (7<sup>th</sup> floor), 424 E. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee
- **Time:** 7:30-10:30 a.m. (networking/group 7:30-8:45 a.m., individual table discussions 8:45-10:30 a.m.)
- **On-site contact:** Cassy Scrima, 414-745-1203
- **Additional:** Includes welcome remarks from Ellen Gilligan and Marcus White of Greater Milwaukee Foundation, Judge Derek Mosley who is hosting a table, and Greg Marcus of Marcus Corporation
- **Table topics at a glance:**
  - Creating a sustainable practice for artists
  - Nurturing a culture of tolerance and inclusion
  - Reimagining the narrative of Milwaukee
  - Communication, connection and a new kind of empathy
  - Health care for all: Is it possible?
  - The power of national service
  - Untapped human potential
  - Are there two Milwaukees?
  - Children and youth services
  - Recreation for EveryBODY
  - Keeping Milwaukee weird
  - Using technology to improve the community
  - Creating future leaders
  - Equity begins with you
  - How do we keep at risk populations in higher education?
  - Housing First: Ending chronic homelessness in Milwaukee
  - Changing the world from where you are
  - Milwaukee’s ideal future
  - Breaking down barriers: Supporting our first generation Hispanic college students
  - Building an engaged and diverse nonprofit board

- The value of powerful networks to move large community agendas forward
- How can the arts lead in promoting Milwaukee as a hub of innovation and creativity
- Seeing diversity as a vital asset of the greater Milwaukee area
- Lunch programs for underprivileged students and funding for nonprofits
- Strong baby, strong community: Saving brown babies in Milwaukee
- Human trafficking
- Evangelizing Milwaukee: How do you do it?
- Activating cross-promotional partnerships
- Gender diversity: Creating a culture of inclusion
- Thinking big about the arts: Developing a cultural vision for Milwaukee
- Entrepreneurship
- Where are you from?
- Hispanic Leadership in Metro Milwaukee

## Medical College of Wisconsin

- **Topic/Themes:**
  - Research as an economic engine
  - The evolving landscape of healthcare delivery
  - Creating access to a healthier world
  - Talent pool: ensuring enough healthcare workers/physicians
- **Location:** Medical College of Wisconsin, multiple locations within Health Research Center and Medical Education Building, 8701 Watertown Plank Road, Milwaukee
- **Time:** 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Kayla Pierce, 414-955-4741

## Milwaukee Bucks / America SCORES Milwaukee

- **Topic/Theme:** Leveraging sports to help children in Milwaukee's most impoverished communities.
- **Location:** Suite 414 (Schlitz Park, 4<sup>th</sup> floor of Stock-House Building, 1543 N. 2nd St.)
- **Time:** 7:30-9 a.m.
- **On-site contact:** Kate Carpenter, 414-881-1189
- **Additional:** Participants include universities, foundations, individuals, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee Public Schools, youth organizations, sports organizations, corporations.

## NEWaukee "Mega-table"

- **Topic/Theme:** Meet-up style event with conversation led by "celebrity" hosts on a range of topics to be determined by the participants
- **Location:** Milwaukee City Hall Rotunda, 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee
- **Time:** 6-9 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Laura Glawe, 414-915-4606
- **Additional:** Includes a welcome from Ellen Gilligan of Greater Milwaukee Foundation and Mayor Tom Barrett. Hundreds of individuals are registered to participate at these open tables. More at <http://newaukee.com/event/on-the-table/>

## SecureFutures

- **Topic/Theme:** Preparing teens for the future

- **Location:** James Madison Academic Campus, 8135 W Florist Ave, Milwaukee
- **Time:** 10-11 a.m.
- **On-site contact:** Justin Kern, 414-759-6417
- **Additional info:** Participants will be SecureFutures board members and JMAC students

## United Community Center

- **Topic/Theme, session 1:** How we can improve our community and what challenges we need to overcome to make our city great?
  - **Location:** Café el Sol Conference Room 2, UCC, 1028 S. 9th St., Milwaukee
  - **Time:** 8:15-9:30 a.m.
  - **Additional:** Hosted by Ricardo Diaz of UCC
- **Topic/Theme, session 2:** How cultural education and the arts play a role in building up our youth, community and the development of economic components within Milwaukee as a whole.
  - **Location:** Latino Arts Gallery, UCC, 1028 S. 9th St., Milwaukee
  - **Time:** 9:30-11 a.m.
  - **Additional:** Hosted by Jacobo Lovo of Latino Arts
- **Topic/Theme, session 3:** Ensuring all students have access to higher education
  - **Location:** Café el Sol Conference Room 1, UCC, 1028 S. 9th St., Milwaukee
  - **Time:** 10-11 a.m.
  - **Additional:** Hosted by Tim Balke of UCC pre-college of youth programs
- **On-site contact:** Jennifer Steiner, 414-649-2814

## Wisconsin Philanthropy Network and Milwaukee Public Library Foundation

- **Topic/Theme:** Strategies and partnerships to address social issues including gun violence, racial inequity and homelessness
- **Location:** Milwaukee Public Library East Branch Community Room, 2320 N. Cramer St., Milwaukee,
- **Time:** 12:30 p.m.
- **On-site contact:** Laura Worcester, 262-317-6003
- **Additional:** Participants at these tables all attended the Oct. 11 presentation of educator, activist, playwright and actor Anna Deavere Smith, which is informing their conversation.

## **GMF contacts and availability**

**Ellen Gilligan**, president and CEO, & **Marcus White**, VP of civic engagement, confirmed for:

- 7:30 a.m. Pfister Hotel, Marcus Corp. “Super Chat”
- 6:30 p.m. Milwaukee City Hall, NEWaukee “mega table”

**To arrange an interview at another time or location, please contact:**

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## **About the Greater Milwaukee Foundation**

The Greater Milwaukee Foundation is the region's largest community foundation and was among the first established in the world. For more than a century, the Foundation has inspired philanthropy by connecting generous people to community needs that align with their interests. The Foundation was founded on the premise that generosity can unlock an individual's potential and strengthen the community as a whole for everyone who lives here. We work in partnership with those who are committed to ensuring greater Milwaukee is a vibrant, economically thriving region that comprises welcoming and inclusive communities providing opportunity, prosperity and a high quality of life for all. More at [greatermilwaukeefoundation.org](http://greatermilwaukeefoundation.org).

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