



ONGOING PROGRAMS

IMPACT [!?!&]

A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL EXHIBITION



Through August 30

This exhibition explores the mutual interdependence of living beings, places, and things in an increasingly technologically-centered and politically charged world.



Impact [!?!&] features work by Kai Lendzion, Jenny Pickens, Ajax Ravenel, Heather Tolbert, Alexandria Monque R, Emily Anderson, Skip Rohde, and Jordan Smith.

Locations: Eagle/Market corner gallery space, and YMI's 2nd floor gallery.

Ujima Fitness Classes

WITH KELLY WHITE

Tuesdays at 6 p.m. & Saturdays at 11 a.m.

Come join us for community-centered fitness and wellness classes.

Location: YMI Building (Dickson Meeting Room, Basement Level)

SOMETHING'S HAPPENING AT THE YMI

UPCOMING EVENTS | AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2026

2026 Goombay Festival

September 11-13

The YMI Cultural Center presents the 2026 Goombay Festival, a celebration of Black culture, music, food, art, and community in Asheville's historic East End. Enjoy live entertainment, theater, a 5K, vendors, family activities, and cultural experiences all weekend. Visit the YMI Cultural Center online at www.ymiculturalcenter.org, for the full schedule and event details.

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner

September 11-20

Join YMI and Eagle Market Street as Table and Mic directs and produces an amazing remake of a timeless comedic drama about race, family, interracial relationships and love. Directed by Victoria Lamberth, this stage production features an incredibly seasoned and professional cast returning for their second year performing this celebrated play. Stephanie Swepson Twitty, Senior Executive Producer; Caleb Owolabi, Executive Producer.

Visit www.ymiculturalcenter.org for more details, showtimes, and to purchase tickets.

Location: YMI Auditorium

COMING SOON

Table & Mic Presents

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner

A NIGHT OF COMEDY, COMMUNITY & CONNECTION



SEPTEMBER 11-20 Multiple Showtimes

39 S MARKET ST ASHEVILLE, NC 28801, USA

GENERAL ADMISSION \$35

A timeless dramatic comedy exploring interracial marriage, family, identity, and unconditional love. With humor, heart, and honest conversation, the play offers a nostalgic yet powerful lens, emphasizing the relevance of understanding, acceptance, and love during a pivotal era of social change. Join us for an evening of theater that sparks conversation and celebrates community.

GET YOUR TICKETS



PRESENTED BY Eagle Market Streets

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH YMI Cultural Center

SEPTEMBER 11 - 13, 2026

ASHEVILLE GOOMBAY FESTIVAL

APPLY TO BE A GOOMBAY FESTIVAL VENDOR

FOOD VENDORS CLOSES: AUGUST 22, 2026

OTHER VENDORS CLOSES: SEPTEMBER 4, 2026

SEPTEMBER 12 | 7AM

GOOMBAY FESTIVAL 2026 5K