



2026 HOUSTON FUTURES FESTIVAL

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 • NOON–8 P.M.

A day of celebrating community, creativity, and civic engagement in Houston's historic Third Ward neighborhood

12–5 p.m. COMMUNITY PERFORMANCES	1–5:20 p.m. WORKSHOPS	12–5 p.m. RESOURCE TABLES	7–8 p.m. MAIN PERFORMANCE NONAME
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Time	Eldorado Ballroom Dupree Room	Eldorado Ballroom Garden Room	One Emancipation Center Community Room	Eldorado Ballroom Stage	Project Row Houses
12:00– 12:50 p.m.				Poetry facilitated by Aris Kian	
1:00–2:20 p.m.	“Safe Passage in Houston: Addressing Racial Disparities in Traffic Stops” presented by Texas Civil Rights Project	“Before Motherhood: Raising Young People Who Know Their Bodies, Trust Their Voices & Speak Up” by Kim Baker, DrPH	“Community Disaster Preparedness and Response” by West Street Recovery	Visual Arts facilitated by Kill Joy	
2:30–3:50 p.m.	“Community Systems of Care: Resisting Top-Down Control in Relationships, Communities, and Society” by SHINE Houston	“Care, Not Cage: Building Community Power for a Just Future” by Texas Jail Project	“Creating a World that Doesn’t Need Food Banks: Stepping into Your Power as an Advocate” by Houston Food Bank	Music facilitated by NEHEMIA	
4:00–5:00 p.m.				“Not Your Intelligence,” a Short Film by Str8ShotsStudios + Conversation	
4:00–5:20 p.m.	“Who Gets to Move? Transportation Justice and the Power to Shape Houston” by LINK Houston	“From Permit to Power: How Communities Can Push Back on Air Pollution” by Air Alliance Houston	“The Future of Education” by Good Reason Houston		
7:00 –8:00 p.m.					Main Performance: Noname