# ESSENCE

# 2022 EDITORIAL CALENDAR

# JANUARY/FEBRUARY

### New Year, New Business — The Black Entrepreneur Issue

How Black couples who are entrepreneurs invested in themselves and won big

EDITORIAL FEATURES: 8 Black Women in Tech + The AfroPunk Mixtape—22 Artists to Watch in 2022

LICENSING FRANCHISE: Best in Black Hair Awards

AD CLOSE: 12.16.21

ON SALE: 1.18.22

# MARCH/APRIL

#### The Melanated Movement: Women Warriors Fighting Change from The White House to Hollywood

A celebration of the firsts and future ones of Black excellence, equity and representation

EDITORIAL FEATURES: The Black Effect: 100 Women in Hollywood including the 2022 Black Women in Hollywood Honorees/ESSENCE Studios

LICENSING FRANCHISE: Best in Black Beauty Awards AD CLOSE: 1.7

ON SALE: 2.22

# JULY/AUGUST

# **Reunited—Why Sisterhood Is King**

An open invitation to the connections, conversations and community ahead of the ESSENCE Festival of Culture, returning to New Orleans.

EDITORIAL FEATURES: What's Cooking—A Guide to Global ESSENCE Eats + Insights from ESSENCE's first Global Black Economic Study + Girls United's The New Black Hollywood - Stars to Watch Under 25

LICENSING FRANCHISE: Best in Black Travel Awards AD CLOSE: 5.13 ON SALE: 6.28

# **SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER**

### The "Bawdy and Lewks" Issue—Black Women Breaking the Rules of Style

From our curves to our clothes, Black women have defied fashion and beauty standards while the world was watching. A celebration

of those still turning heads EDITORIAL FEATURES: The Remix–Ageless Beauties: A modernized

take on our beloved franchise celebrating women over 50 + The Fall TV Revolution + ESSENCE Ventures: Career Conversations

LICENSING FRANCHISE: Best in Black Fashion Awards

AD CLOSE: 7.8 ON SALE: 8.23

# MAY/JUNE

# Femme, Fearlessness and Freedom: The Alternative Black Issue

Exploring all things on the edge of Blackness, culture, style and sexuality EDITORIAL FEATURES: Personal Space—A Guide to the Best in Black

Home Design + Black Justice & Joy—A Juneteenth Conversation + BeautyCon/Naturally Curly Summer Must Haves

LICENSING FRANCHISE: Best in Black Impact Awards

AD CLOSE: 3.11 ON SALE: 4.26

### **NOVEMBER/DECEMBER**

# Holiday Hearts - The Giving Back Issue

How people are changing the world by paying it forward

EDITORIAL FEATURES: A Seat at the Holiday Table: Celebrities invite us into their home for a Black family affair, plus a DIY guide on how to make everything in your home (and life) merry & bright. LICENSING FRANCHISE: New Voices Foundation presents The Black Founders of Year + The Black Holiday Shopping Guide

AD CLOSE: 9.9 ON SALE: 10.25



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## **FEBRUARY**

### TBD\*

Global Black Economic Forum™ Today's most seasoned business moguls, inspiring entrepreneurs and leading minds will illuminate the road ahead towards building economic empowerment and generational wealth within our communities globally.

Package Range: \$200K - \$500K

# MARCH

#### 80 I AM Speaking Conference"

(International Women's Dav)

Empowering, trailblazing, phenomenal Black women from across the diaspora are gearing up to share their wealth of knowledge and experiences olaspora are gearing up to share their wearth or knowledge and experiences at the ESSENCE I Am Speaking summit From political leaders to life coaches, to corporate CEOs to entrepreneurs to brilliant creatives and everything in between, this meeting of the minds will convene accomplished women from multiple industries who are impacting change and shifting the conversation forward in each of their respective areas. Package Range: \$150K - \$300K

# 24

Black Women in Hollywood\* The annual celebration will shine a spotlight on several Black Women in Hollywood who are owning their narrative and transforming the art of storytelling. Package Range: \$300K - \$1M

#### 25

Hollywood House™ ESSENCE Hollywood House™ returns! Attendees will enjoy panels, workshops, conversations, and screenings designed to elevate their career in entertainment.

#### Package Range: \$300K - \$1M

Note: BWIH & Hollywood House events are sold together

# MAY TBD\*

Road to Festival ending on Juneteenth

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Package Range: \$350K - \$500K a la carte with partnership

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(Does not include media commitment)

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### AUGUST TBD\*

Girls United Back to School" (Built if sold)

#### All the tips needed to get ready to go Back to School. In this 3-hour special, hear from the best and brightest young experts as they share their wisdom on time management, fashion, mental wellness and so much more Package Range: \$150K - \$300K

# SEPTEMBER

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# ESSENCE Awards<sup>™</sup> Gala The ESSENCE Awards<sup>™</sup> was once the largest event celebrating Black Culture and is returning. Along with showstopping performances, the Awards Show will honor Black Women across several industries as Celebrities pay tribute to these community changemakers. The show will also feature roundtable conversations where the who's who of Black culture gather to shed light on topics Black Women care about.

Package Range: \$300K - \$2M

# ESSENCE Fashion House™

ESSENCE Fashion House<sup>™</sup> is an elite experience discovering and recognizing cutting-edge Black creatives in fashion and their contributions. Join us for conversations with industry mayens and celebs about diverse representation and constructing solutions for economic inclusion because newsflash: Black culture IS the culture! Indulge in Black Excellence personified with awe-inspiring runway collections, exclusive designer showcases, post worthy photo moments, and more! Package Range: \$200K - \$1M



#### ESSENCE Street Style™

ESSENCE Street Style<sup>m</sup>: Leaning in to celebrating the Style of everyday women. Black Women's street style has always set the trends for what we see on the runway. In honor of that, ESSENCE brings back ESSENCE Street Style. This time elevating the event bringing in the elements of Fashion House but setting the stage for everyday women to show up and show out...as we do! Package Range: \$200K - \$1M

Note: Fashion House & Street Style events are sold together

# **2022 EVENTS CALENDAR**

# **OCTOBER**

#### TBD\* ESSENCE HBCU Homecoming

#### (Built if sold)

This weekend-long hybrid experience will feature appearances from HBCU alum and cultural icons. Plus, because no HBCU homecoming weekend is complete without an after hours alumni turn up, tune in for a show stopping performance featuring a few special quests Package Range: \$200K - \$500K

# TBD\*

#### ESSENCE Wellness + Food Festival: Black Women's Retreat

ESSENCE\* creates a safe space for Black Women to congregate, de-stress and rejuvenate in this all new 3-day exclusive retreat. The all inclusive resort destination will feature stress relief work shops, massages, yoga, wellness conversation (Wellness conversations to be packaged for VOD) Package Range: \$300K - \$1M

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#### TBD\* Girls United Summit™

Keeping GenZ/Millenials informed with panels and workshops on career, education, finance, technology, politics, content creation, self-care and more Package Range: \$250K - \$750K

# TBD\*

#### Entrepreneur Summit<sup>™</sup> + NVF Pitch Competition ESSENCE Marketplace™

ESSENCE Marketplace™ (live and virtual) Entreprenuer Summit: Some of the best in the business share tips. strategies and other tools you can use to carry your business to higher heights in the New Year

NVF Pitch Competition: New Voices is a ground-breaking, communitybuilding effort designed to build a more inclusive entrepreneurial ecosystem for women of color to advance their significant contributions to our economy and society.

Package Range: \$250K - \$750K (+\$250k for NVF Pitch competition grant & activation) Note: Entrepreneurship Summit and GU Summit events are sold together.

### **NOVEMBER** 27\*

### ESSENCE Get Lifted Holiday Celebration

Get your spirits lifted as the annual all-star Holiday tribute hits your screen for 2 Sundays back to back! Tune in for powerful words of praise by your favorite spiritual leaders and music by your favorite gospel artist. ESSENCE Marketplace (live and virtual): This ESSENCE-curated live and virtual Esserve Plankeghate (ine and virtual). The Esserve Pedrated ine and virtual). The Shopping experience will feature up to 50 Black-Owned Businesses across various categories like Fashion, Beauty, Wellness, Food and Kids.
Package Range: \$125K - \$350K



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