

# Supporting Black History Month

## 15 Rochester businesses you can visit right now

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Black History Month is a time to celebrate and recognize African Americans' achievements, contributions, and experiences throughout history. It is also a time to support African Americans in their endeavors.

With the help of Black Owned in Rochester, a site to help provide much-needed exposure to online and in-person Black-owned businesses, here is a list of 15 businesses to support during Black History Month.

### Archivist Books

- A queer bookstore that sources small press literature and books by indie queer writers.

- 772 Monroe Ave, Rochester
- <https://www.archivistbooks.com/>

### Blesson Bakery

- Sells various baked goods, including dessert loaves, cheesecakes, and brownies.

- Virtual shop
- <https://blesson-bakery.square.site/>

### Butter Me Up Body Care

- Sells body oil and whipped body butter, from all-natural ingredients, that help nourish, hydrate and moisturize the skin.

- Virtual shop
- <https://buttermeupbodycare.com/>



Nita Brown at her MansaWear clothing store on Park Avenue in Rochester in 2020. Brown took off the mask she was wearing for this photo. SHAWN DOWD/DEMOCRAT AND CHRONICLE

### Cassiopeia Studio

- Sells illustrations, stationary, and "cute stuff." Also available for commissioned work and wholesale times.

- Virtual shop
- <https://www.instagram.com/cassiopeia/>

### Courtney Marie Photography

- Specializes in many types of photography, including wedding, corporate, boudoir, and more.

- Book online.
- <https://www.courtneymariephotography.com/>

### Diamonds by Rob

- Creates custom jewelry pieces, making each design unique to clients' wants and needs.

- 2300 W. Ridge Road, Greece
- <https://diamondsbyrob.com/>

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## Drips Spa

- This spa combines luxury and wellness to provide a haven for beauty, relaxation and rejuvenation.
- 2050 S. Clinton Ave., Suite B, Rochester
- <https://dripsspa.com/>

## Fancee's Nail & Lash Studio

- Provides acrylic nail sets, pedicures, and lash extensions.
- 320 Greece Ridge Center Drive, Greece
- <https://www.fanceestudio.com/>

## Getting It Daily

- This gym combines resistance training with yoga to improve flexibility and strength and shred unwanted body fat.
- 746 Monroe Ave., Rochester
- <https://gettingitdaily.com/>

## Keyera Butler, licensed real estate agent

- Will help you find your new home in the Greater Rochester area and host webinars on homeownership education.
- 2000 S. Winton Road, Rochester
- <https://www.facebook.com/sold-bykey/>

## Kimbrel Management Consulting

- Offers various services for customers' unique needs while focusing on awareness, analytics and systemic interventions to enrich mindsets and improve policies and procedures in the workplace.
- Book online.
- <https://www.kimbrelconsulting-co.com/>

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## Mansawear

- Designs classic silhouettes and custom garments with bold, intricate patterns, vibrant colors and opulent fabrics.
- 367 Park Ave., Rochester
- <https://mansawear.com/>

## Webbestry

- Provides website hosting and building, graphic design and virtual/hybrid conference technical assistance.
- Book online.
- <https://webbestry.com/>

## Women of Color NY

- Business network with a space created to empower, inspire and celebrate women of color in business. The shop hosts several items from various businesses, including jewelry, art, accessories, and skincare.
- 539 South Ave, Rochester
- <https://www.wocintl.com/>

## WynD Love Travel

- Help plan and book your dream vacation, specializing in luxurious cruises, group travel, all-inclusive resorts, and more.
  - Book online.
  - <https://wyndlovetravel.com/>
- If you want to add your business to Black Owned in Rochester, visit <https://blackownedinrochester.com/about-us/>.

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