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Mayoral candidates to attend forum tonight at UDM

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A group of mayoral candidates will gather tonight for a three-hour forum at University of Detroit Mercy.

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Among those expected to attend are: Detroit Mayor Ken Cockrel Jr.; businessman and former Detroit Piston Dave Bing; former Deputy Mayor Freman Hendrix; former City Councilman Nicholas Hood III; State Rep. Coleman Young II; Joseph Warren Holt; Duane Montgomery; Jerroll Sanders, D. Etta Wilcoxon, and Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans.

Charles Pugh of WJBK-TV (Fox 2 Detroit) will moderate the event.

The candidates are expected to discuss public safety issues, [education](#), health care and economic development for the city.

Former Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick is in jail after pleading guilty in September to two felonies in connection with the [text message](#) scandal. He also pleaded no contest to an assault charge and resigned from office.

The candidates are running to serve out the remainder of his term. A special primary is scheduled for Feb. 24, followed by a May 5 general election.

Tonight's forum lasts from 6-9 p.m.

For more information, contact University of Detroit Mercy at 313-993-1254.

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I was at Wicked last night at the Detroit Opera House. I almost thought I saw her--as one of the witches...

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