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## **Bruce Street School Fundraising Brunch This Saturday!**

*The fundraiser on 2/17 will include brunch bites, signature mimosas, and a pop-up exhibit about the Bruce Street School.*

**Lithonia, GA** – This is preservation with a purpose. Get tickets today for the Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance’s Inaugural Bruce Street School Fundraising Brunch. This unforgettable brunch will be held by the historic Bruce Street School ruins at the **East DeKalb at Bruce Street Senior Center on 2/17 from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm.**

On the menu is honey butter angel biscuits, crispy potatoes, homestyle grits, scrambled eggs, beef sausage, salmon croquettes, signature mimosas, and more! Attendees will also be treated to a pop-up exhibit and historical presentation about the Bruce Street School and its impact on the community by historian and Arabia Mountain Assistant Executive Director Brigette Jones.

The Bruce Street School was DeKalb County’s first public school for African American children. The schoolhouse was built in the 1930s, but the school’s grassroots education goes back to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. The old stone ruins that remain today stand as a testament to African American education in the Jim Crow South. The Arabia Alliance’s Revitalization Project will turn this structure into a museum with an amphitheater, outdoor classroom, and more.

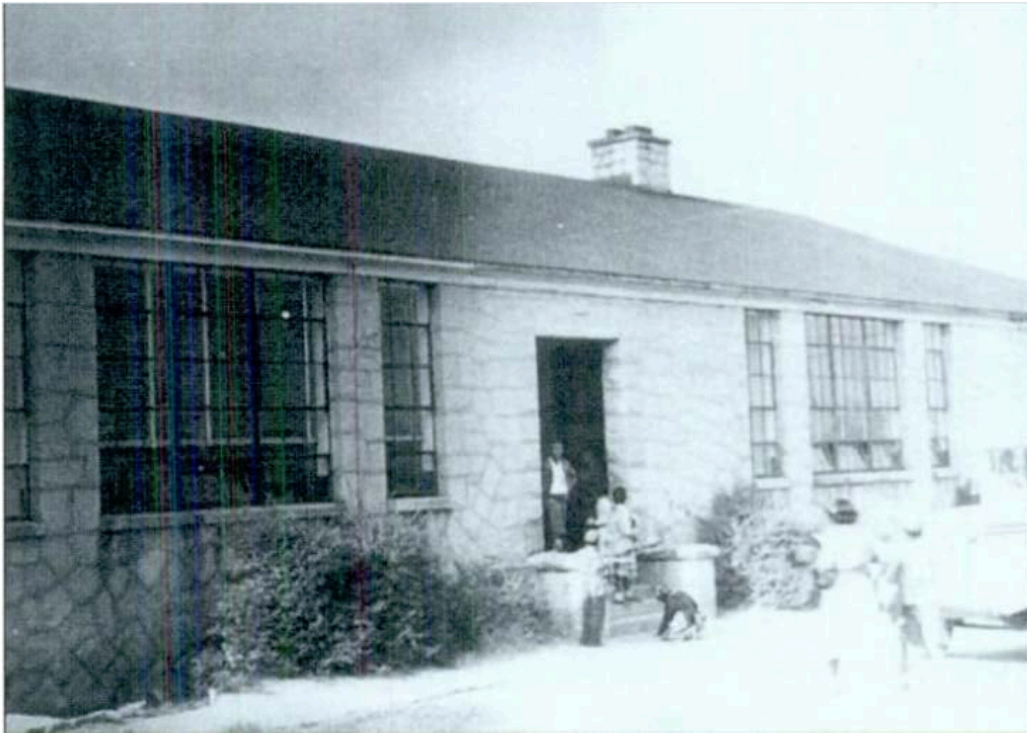
Tickets start at \$40. Funds raised will go towards the school’s preservation and revitalization. For more information or to donate, [click here](#).

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### **About the Arabia Alliance**

The Arabia Mountain Heritage Area Alliance is dedicated to protecting, connecting and sharing the unique history, rich culture and engaging landscapes of the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area (AMNHA) for the benefit and enjoyment of all. The staff and volunteer board of the Arabia Alliance work with partners across AMNHA to ensure that everyone can benefit from the cultural and natural resources of the National Heritage Area. For more information, visit [www.arabiaalliance.org](http://www.arabiaalliance.org).



*The Bruce Street School in operation (above) and what's left of the schoolhouse today (below)*

