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## MEDIA CENTER

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Hilton Chicago | Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)  
720 S. Michigan Avenue

The Bank of America Chicago Marathon Media Center is open to accredited members of the media. Individuals must be approved to receive a media credential in advance of race weekend. Media credentials must be worn in plain sight at all times.

### MEDIA CENTER SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### Thursday, October 9

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Media credential pick-up

#### Friday, October 10

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Media credential pick-up

10 a.m. – 11 a.m. Professional athlete press conference

11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Media availability with Executive Race Director and Medical Director

11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Media availability with professional athletes\*\*

#### Saturday, October 11

12 p.m. – 3 p.m. Media credential pick-up

1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. Media availability with Executive Race Director and Medical Director

2 p.m. – 3 p.m. Chicago Sister Cities Presentation

#### Sunday, October 12

6 a.m. – 4 p.m. Media Center hours

10:30 a.m. (approx.) Post-race press conference

11:30 a.m. (approx.) Media availability with Executive Race Director

2:30 p.m. (approx.) Media availability with Executive Race Director and Medical Director

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*\*\*Professional athletes will be available for interviews on Friday, October 10, following the 10 a.m. press conference. Please submit specific interview requests to the media team by emailing [press@chicagomarathon.com](mailto:press@chicagomarathon.com) in advance of the event to confirm time with athletes.*

### MEDIA CREDENTIAL PICK-UP

Media credentials will be available for pickup in the lobby adjacent to the Media Center. Accredited members of the media should be advised of the following:

- Media credentials will not be mailed and must be picked up during the dates, times and at the location designated by the Bank of America Chicago Marathon (see information above).
- Individuals will be required to show photo identification when picking up media credentials.
- Media credentials are non-transferable.
- Media credentials must be worn at all times during the Bank of America Chicago Marathon including but not limited to race day (start and finish line photo corrals), professional athlete interviews and media press conferences, and Credential Bearer must carry government-issued photo identification with them at all times.
- Individuals must comply with the terms and conditions accepted when applying for a 2025 Bank of America Chicago Marathon media credential.

## MEDIA CENTER SERVICES

### Race day services

- Direct video feeds of the professional men's and women's (open and wheelchair) races will accompany the NBC 5 Chicago live broadcast in the Media Center to provide complete, uninterrupted coverage of the race.
- A web-based runner tracking system will be available via personal computers on race day to monitor split timing for the professional race. Internet connectivity is required for viewing and wireless internet will be available. Credentials to access the page will be provided on race day by members of the media team.
- The top finishers and top American athletes in both the professional men's and women's (open and wheelchair) races will address the media in the Media Center following the completion of the race. Additional interviews with athletes will be available upon request. Please submit special requests to the media team in the Media Center before the finish of the race or email [press@chicagomarathon.com](mailto:press@chicagomarathon.com).
- Executive Race Director Carey Pinkowski will offer a brief address at approximately 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, October 12 in the Media Center. At 2:30 p.m. both Pinkowski and Medical Director Dr. George Chiampas will offer a report of the day's events and be available for questions from the media.
- Breakfast and lunch will be served on race day.

## BANK OF AMERICA CHICAGO MARATHON SCHEDULE OF EVENTS\*

### Thursday, October 9

|                      |                                                                                                                                  |
|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.      | Media credential pick-up<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                                  |
| 10:40 a.m. – 11 a.m. | Abbott Health & Fitness Expo Opening with Executive Race Director and Special Guests<br>McCormick Place, Lakeside Center, Hall D |
| 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.     | Abbott Health & Fitness Expo<br>McCormick Place, Lakeside Center, Hall D                                                         |

### Friday, October 10

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|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.      | Media credential pick-up<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                             |
| 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.      | Abbott Health & Fitness Expo<br>McCormick Place, Lakeside Center, Hall D                                                    |
| 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.    | Professional athlete press conference<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                |
| 11 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. | Media availability with Executive Race Director and Medical Director<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor) |
| 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.    | Professional athlete media availability**<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                            |

### Saturday, October 11

|                    |                                                                                                                                                |
|--------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 7:30 a.m.          | Abbott Chicago 5K<br>Start line: Columbus Drive (between Michigan Avenue and Ida B. Wells Drive)<br>Finish line: Wacker Drive and Adams Street |
| 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.    | Abbott Health & Fitness Expo<br>McCormick Place, Lakeside Center, Hall D                                                                       |
| 12 p.m. – 3 p.m.   | Media credential pick-up<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                                                |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2 p.m. | Media availability with Executive Race Director and Medical Director<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                    |
| 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.    | Chicago Sister Cities Presentation<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                                      |

## Sunday, October 12

|                    |                                                                                                                             |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 6 a.m. – 4 p.m.    | Media Center hours<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                                   |
| 7:20 a.m.          | Men's Professional Wheelchair Division start                                                                                |
| 7:21 a.m.          | Women's Professional Wheelchair Division start                                                                              |
| 7:23 a.m.          | Handcycle Exhibition start                                                                                                  |
| 7:30 a.m.          | Men's and Women's Professional Open Division start                                                                          |
| 7:32 a.m.          | High Performance start                                                                                                      |
| 7:35 a.m.          | Wave 1 start                                                                                                                |
| 8:00 a.m.          | Wave 2 start                                                                                                                |
| 8:35 a.m.          | Wave 3 start                                                                                                                |
| 8:45 a.m.          | Men's Professional Wheelchair Division Champion finish (approx.)                                                            |
| 9:00 a.m.          | Women's Professional Wheelchair Division Champion finish (approx.)                                                          |
| 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. | 27th Mile Post-Race Party<br>Grant Park, Butler Field                                                                       |
| 9:35 a.m.          | Men's Professional Open Division Champion finish (approx.)                                                                  |
| 9:50 a.m.          | Women's Professional Open Division Champion finish (approx.)                                                                |
| 10:30 a.m.         | Post-race press conference (approx.)<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)                                 |
| 11:30 a.m.         | Media availability with Executive Race Director (approx.)<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor)            |
| 2:30 p.m.          | Media availability with Executive Race Director and Medical Director<br>Hilton Chicago, Continental Ballrooms (First Floor) |

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