Upcoming Events

WI Tech Month

The Month of October, [In-Person and Virtual]

60+ events for companies, organizations, and individuals to showcase their innovations, expertise, and accomplishments. WI Tech Month is a month-long celebration of the tech industry in Wisconsin that has taken place since 2021.

Healthcare Innovation Pitch Event

Wednesday, October 4th, 5 PM [Milwaukee]

Network with other healthcare and HealthTech entrepreneurs and investors, then hear pitches to a panel of actual VC and angel investors as 6-8 of the region's most promising new startups pitch for \$20,000 in seed funds and related resources in the annual HIP event.

Meet the Meetups

Tuesday, October 3rd, 6:00 - 9:00 PM [Milwaukee]

An exciting in-person event at 88Nine Radio Milwaukee! Get ready to meet and connect with various tech meetups in the city. This event is the perfect opportunity to discover like-minded individuals and expand your network.

Equity in Tech Summit

Tuesday, October 10th, 12:00 - 6:30 PM [Milwaukee]

This year's conference will respond to the central theme, "How can Al advance our collective efforts to increase equity in the tech sector?" This half-day conference presented by Milky Way Tech Hub provides leaders with the tools, training, and connections needed to build a more inclusive, equitable tech workforce.

Les Femmes

Wednesday, October 18, 5:30 - 7:30 PM [Milwaukee]

The Milwaukee Founders Community presents Les Femmes Edition – an intimate gathering of Milwaukee's female startup founders and entrepreneurs. Their goal is to create a safe, supportive space for female founders in the Milwaukee area to have candid discussions around the challenges they face within entrepreneurship.

Black Tech MKE Dinner

Thursday, October 19, 6:00 - 8:00 PM [Milwaukee]

An evening of networking and engagement with Black Tech MKE. Black Tech Milwaukee is a coalition of individuals, organizations, and companies working to define and organize the Black Tech community in Milwaukee.

BYOD: Black in Tech in Madison Dinner

Friday, October 20, 5:30 - 7:30 PM [Madison]

Black tech and black tech-adjacent professionals will share dialogue around a BYO dinner table centered with a fishbowl full of thought-provoking questions as it relates to the title. The event will take place at Forward Craft & Coffee.

Founder Funder Forum

Wednesday, October 25, 5:00 pm - 8:00 PM [Milwaukee]

An exclusive and intimate quarterly event that educates and connects high-growth startup founders with investors. The Founder Funder Forum creates a foundation for a vibrant startup ecosystem that enables an interconnected bridge facilitating meaningful connections between entrepreneurs and investors to grow and scale.

Free Coworking Day at Quarterdeck

Wednesday, October 25, 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM [Green Bay]

Experience the space, meet other members, and get some work done. Get access to floating desks, couches, and call rooms. Free nitro coffee, beverages, and snacks to keep you energized all day long.

FOUNDER/FEST X

Wednesday, December 6, 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM [Milwaukee]

An experience that brings Milwaukee area startup founders together to build a community of support and celebration. Join the Milwaukee Founders Community (MFC) for our 2023 FOUNDER/FEST Holiday Party!

Startup Programs

New North Pitch Series

Application Deadline: October 31, 2023

The top 1st and 2nd place winners from each of the six local contests will receive \$1,000 and \$500, respectively with other local prizes and advance to the NEW Launch Alliance Regional Pitch event on Thursday, November 30th at 5 p.m. Titletown Tech to win additional prize money and support.

gener8tor Madison Accelerator 2024

Application Deadline: November 20th, 2023

gener8tor Madison invests in six high-growth startups per cohort. This is an industry-agnostic and business model-agnostic program. We accept ALL types of startups across ALL industries and business models. Accepted startups receive \$100K and 12 weeks of mentorship-driven programming.

U.S. Venture Sustainability Accelerator 2024

Application Deadline: January 12th, 2024

Just as U.S. Venture's mission is to find a better way by being the very best provider of transportation products, sustainability solutions, and insights driving the world forward, the U.S. Venture Accelerator mirrors these promises by investing \$100K into five sustainability- and mobility-related startups to provide the mentorship-based, concierge-service programming needed for them to experience growth and acquisition.

Wisconsin Tech News

Madworks Names Fall 2023 Cohort

Eight startups were selected for the Madworks Fall Accelerator, the organization announced recently. 1Director, Figgy, Novii CPA, Petphoria, Redfox AI, Soul Mobility, Snow Scholars, and Spraycision will participate in the 11-week program that begins Oct. 4 at StartingBlock Madison.

Early figures suggest state seeing lower levels of investment in 2023

Early investment figures for 2023 suggest the number and size of deals in Wisconsin may be lower this year, according to Tech Council Investor Networks Director Joe Kremer.

Emerging tech, industries driving investment landscape, WEDC expert says

Emerging technologies and industries are driving the national investment landscape, according to WEDC Senior Venture Investment Director Greg Williamson.

FOREVER finds a forever home in Village of Hobart

FOREVER, a memory and digitization business in the Village of Hobart recently moved into a new 25,000-square-foot building.