

BELLIN WOMEN'S HALF 2021 MARATHON•5K

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Registration Now Open for Bellin Womens Half & 5K

Organizers plan in-person events for race weekend Oct. 1-2

GREEN BAY — Registration is now open for an **in-person** Bellin Women's Half Marathon, two-person relay & 5K on Saturday, Oct. 2. A virtual option also is available.

These unique-to-our region events are designed to celebrate and motivate female athletes of all levels and abilities while building camaraderie and highlighting health and wellbeing issues specific to women. Runners and walkers are invited to take part in the half marathon, half marathon relay or 5K event, each of which starts and ends in the heart of downtown Green Bay.

After the COVID-19 pandemic necessitated a virtual event in 2020, race organizers are looking forward to celebrating with an appropriate theme: **JOY**.

“During the past year-plus our community, country and world have battled illness and death, social isolation and economic struggle — but we are joyful as we have a chance to gather together for this event,” said Race Director Linda Maxwell. “We thank all the medical professionals, scientists and everyday heroes who have gotten us to this point, who have given us a chance to joyfully celebrate together again.”

Race officials will continue to monitor local, state and national trends and recommendations as they relate to COVID-19, and will respond accordingly with appropriate safety precautions as race day draws near. Event organizers and Bellin Health medical personnel strongly urge participants, volunteers and the general public to receive their COVID-19 vaccine if they have not done so already.

All three Bellin Women's events begin outside the KI Convention Center in downtown Green Bay. Half marathon and relay participants head across the Fox River and run through the scenic

neighborhoods of Ashwaubenon and De Pere, while 5K runners and walkers traverse the beautiful neighborhoods between S. Monroe Avenue and the Fox River on the city's east side.

Both races take advantage of the ever-popular Fox River Trail before concluding in the heart of downtown on Green Bay's CityDeck. The event's signature goodies, finisher medallion and a post-race dance party and awards ceremony will await participants at the finish.

Early bird registration is in effect until July 31; the half marathon is just \$80, the relay is \$130 and the 5K weekend experience (adding the Friday, Oct. 1 Women's Inspiration Dinner) is \$45. Early registration comes worry-free with our event's deferral policy — if for any reason registrants are unable to participate in 2021, their registration can be deferred to 2022 at no cost. Registration is quick and easy at www.bellinwomenshalf.com.

Registrants for all three events will receive a long-sleeve hoodie and a custom finisher medallion. Half marathon and relay participants will receive a ticket to the Women's Inspiration Dinner, while 5K participants will have the option of purchasing a ticket for the event (just \$45 total with early bird weekend experience pricing). All participants will be able to take advantage of free training runs, which begin in late July.

This is the seventh year for the half marathon and relay and fourth year for the 5K event. Sign-up is quick and easy at Sign-up is quick and easy at www.bellinwomenshalf.com. Information and updates are available [online](#) and on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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