

2023 Winston-Salem Arts, Culture, Entertainment Memorial Walk of Fame Nominations

City Council
Community Development/Housing/General
Government Committee

April 10, 2023



Winston-Salem ACE Memorial Walk of Fame

★ Created by the City Council in November 2015

★ Recognizes deceased city residents who made significant contributions to the arts and entertainment industry

★ Located on the Cherry Street sidewalk next to The Benton



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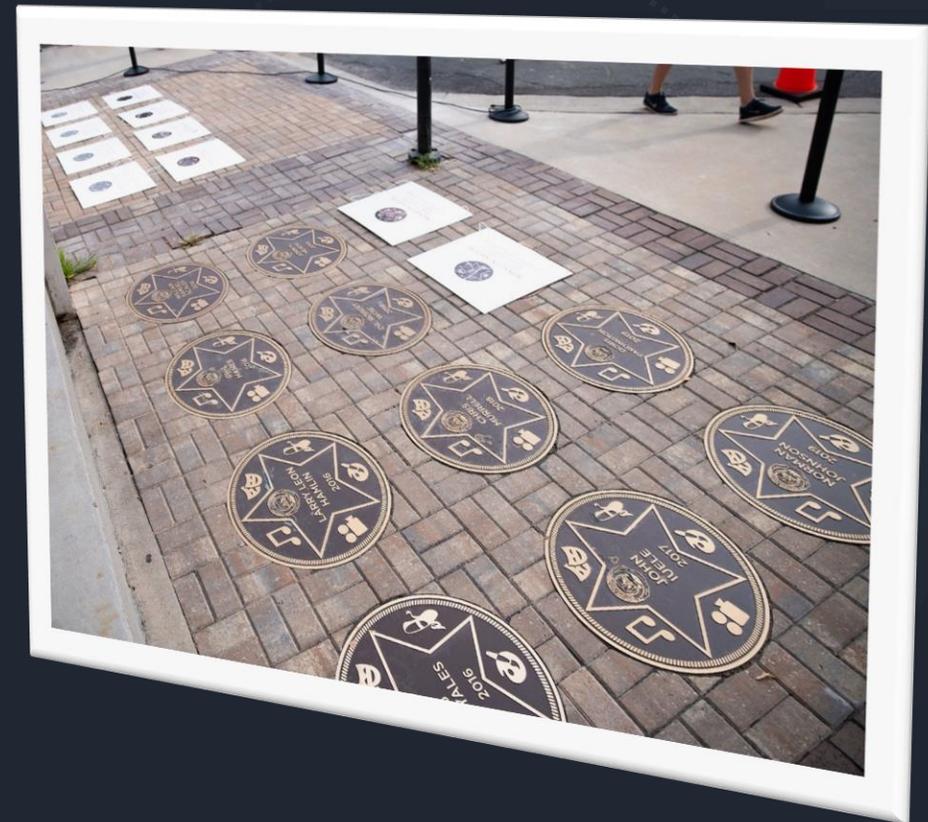
- ☆ Nomination process opens in January each year
- ☆ Nominations reviewed by a diverse panel of citizens representing various artistic disciplines and fields within the entertainment industry
- ☆ Review panel's recommendations considered by the Community Development/Housing/General Government Committee
- ☆ Final approval by the Mayor and City Council
- ☆ Annual budget of \$10,000 paid out of occupancy tax fund



Nomination Criteria

Nominees must:

- ☆ Be deceased.
- ☆ Have been a resident of Winston-Salem for at least five years.
- ☆ Have made a significant contribution to the arts and entertainment industry in one or more of the following areas: music, dance, theater, writing, visual arts, motion pictures, television, or radio.
- ☆ Have exhibited sustained excellence in his or her field for at least five years.
- ☆ Have made distinguished contributions to the community and civic-oriented participation.



2023 Nominees

Nominees	Category
Dick Bennick	Radio
Paxton Davis	Writing
James Funches	Music
Jake Gardner	Music
Kathryn Grayson	Motion Pictures
Curtis Hairston	Music
Shirley Holloway	Theater
Clarence Paul	Music

2023 Finalists

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James Funches	Music
Curtis Hairston	Music
Shirley Holloway	Theater

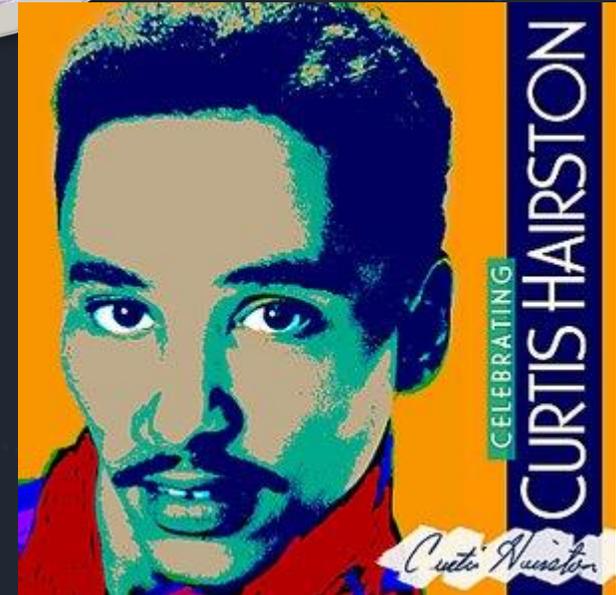
James Funches

- ☆ Well-Known Musician
 - ☆ Music and art teacher in the WS/FC School System (30 years)
 - ☆ Member of The Eliminators band
 - ☆ Member of The Bill Bright Jazz Quintet
 - ☆ Member of the Associated Artists of Winston-Salem



Curtis K. Hairston

- ☆ Jazz Funk Soul Artist in US and UK
 - ☆ Multiple Top 75 hit singles
 - ☆ “I Want You (All Tonight)”
 - ☆ “I Want Your Loving (Just a Little Bit)”
 - ☆ “Chilling Out”
- ☆ Greatest Hits Album “Celebrating Curtis Hairston” post-mortem
- ☆ Lead Singer for BB and Q Band
- ☆ Trained at Julliard School of Music
- ☆ WSSU Graduate



Shirley Hairston Holloway



- ☆ The Barefoot Storyteller
- ☆ Founder and Director of Tarheel Association of Storytellers
- ☆ Proclaimed Official Storyteller of Winston-Salem by Mayor Wayne Corpening
- ☆ Performances Included:
 - ☆ The Black Storytelling Festival – Baltimore
 - ☆ Storytelling in Central Park – NYC
 - ☆ Roadworks – Washington DC



Arts, Culture, and Entertainment Memorial Walk of Fame

★ Unveiling Ceremony in 2024

