# 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



# Winston-Salem ACE Memorial Walk of Fame

- ☆ 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

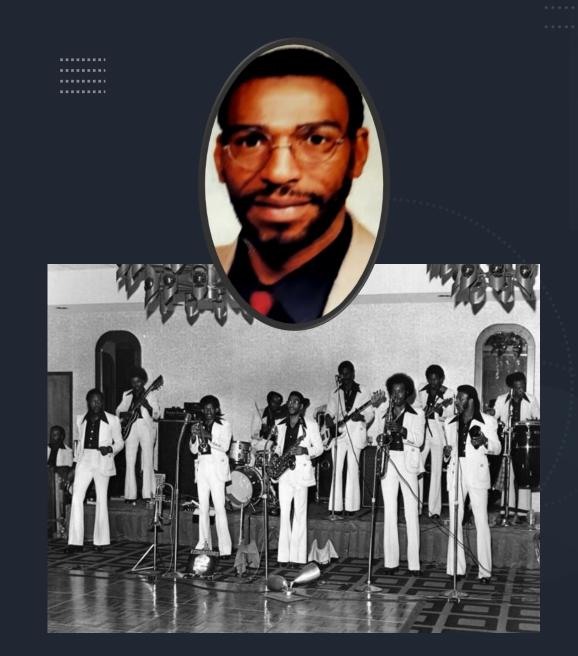
Nominees	Category
Dick Bennick	Radio
Paxton Davis	Writing
James Funches	Music
Jake Gardner	Music
Kathryn Grayson	Motion Pictures
Curtis Hairston	Music
Shirley Holloway	Theater
Clarence Paul	Music

# 2023 Finalists

Finalists	Category
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 Juliard 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





