



7th and S streets NW

Howard Theater Walk of Fame

Celebrates the District's Rich Musical History and Recognizes African American Musicians Who Performed at the Howard Theater



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Installed in Spring 2019, the Howard Theater Walk of Fame embellishes the sidewalk between the Shaw-Howard Metro Station and the historic venue on T Street NW with bronze medallions commemorating 15 black cultural icons.

Initiated in 2008, the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development and Cultural Tourism DC worked together to research, collect, and prepare relevant historic information related to the Howard Theatre. From this extensive research fifteen artists who had performed at the Howard Theatre were selected to be honored on the Walk of Fame. DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities implemented the project and selected artists to represent a wide variety of musicians that made important contributions to the cultural life of the District and achieved national reputations for artistic excellence. Together, these honorees represent a diverse and dynamic selection of performing artists since the Howard Theatre's founding in 1910.

In 2016, the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities issued a request for proposals for the design of the Walk of Fame. Washington, DC-based designer Curry Hackett and the CWC's own Jay Coleman were selected in 2016 to develop, design, and install the project. The budget for the project was \$400,000.