

THE JAMES WELDON JOHNSON COMMUNITY SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

25th Anniversary Gala Concert

Saturday, June 21, 2025

1:00 p.m.

Jerusalem Baptist Church
2600 P St NW, Washington, DC 20007

Bradley A. Thomas, Master of Ceremonies

Program

Welcome Pastor Rodney A. Teal

Introduction of Master of Ceremonies..... J W Johnson CSA

Honor, Honor (Negro Spiritual) Hall Johnson

Sure on this shining night, Op. 13, No. 3..... Samuel Barber

St. Ita's Vision from Hermit Songs, Op. 29, No. 3 Samuel Barber

Angela Moore, soprano

Jeongseon Choi, piano

Deep River (Spiritual).....arr. Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

Karen Egypt, piano

Ma rendi pur contento..... Vincenzo Bellini

A Song Without Words Charles Brown

I talked to God last night (A Vision)David W. Guion / John W. Bratton

Cherie Davis, soprano

Jeongseon Choi, piano

INTERMISSION

PoemMatthew Egypt

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Come Sunday Duke Ellington
The Negro Speaks of Rivers Margaret Bonds / Poetry by Langston Hughes
On ma journey (Negro Spiritual)..... arr. Edward Boatner
I Don' Done.... (Spiritual) (adapted by K. Eichelberger) arr. J. Weldon Norris
Kehembe V. Eichelberger, mezzo soprano
Karen Egypt, piano

I've Decided to Make Jesus My Choice..... Harrison Johnson
If I Can Help Somebody..... Alma Bazel Androzzo
Goodness of God Jen Johnson, Ed Cash, Ben Fielding, Jason Ingram, & Brian Johnson
Dimitri Roach-Harris and the Singing Angels

Closing Remarks J W Johnson CSA

Lift Every Voice and Sing James W. Johnson / J. Rosamond Johnson
The Audience



James Weldon Johnson Community School of the Arts

The James Weldon Johnson Community School of the Arts (JWJCSA) proudly celebrates its 25th Anniversary, marking a quarter-century of dedicated service in providing professional and innovative arts education across the Washington, DC metropolitan area.

Founded March 9, 1999, JWJCSA began with educational concerts in partnership with local churches and community organizations, including The Historic Second Baptist Church in Washington, DC. In 2000, the School formalized its current structure, achieving its official 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and organizing its first formal instructional programs which debut March 3, 2001. Instruction is provided by artists trained at some of the most renowned institutions in the world who are professionals active in their field(s) of expertise.

Since its founding, JWJCSA has partnered with schools, churches, and community centers throughout the Washington, DC metropolitan area to offer high-quality and accessible educational programs in music, visual arts, and creative writing.

Dedicated to the memory of the renowned writer and educator James Weldon Johnson, JWJCSA works in collaboration with other institutions to provide a place for children, adults, and families to study and enjoy the arts in an uplifting and nurturing environment that welcomes people of all backgrounds and abilities.

As we celebrate our 25th Anniversary, JWJCSA is proud to continue its mission by launching a new community arts education program at Jerusalem Baptist Church—extending our legacy and deepening our commitment to inspire and uplift through the arts.

About James Weldon Johnson

As a creative writer and librettist, his two most well-known works are "God's Trombones," a collection of sermon-poems that include his most famous poem, *The Creation*, and the Negro anthem "Lift Every Voice and Sing." His accomplishments include distinguished service as a teacher, principal, lawyer, editor, ambassador, and artist. The James Weldon Johnson Community School of the Arts is named after him in recognition of his many contributions to the arts, education, and society.



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Congratulations JWJCSA on 25 years of community impact! We proudly support uplifting and inspirational programs that bring value to our local community.



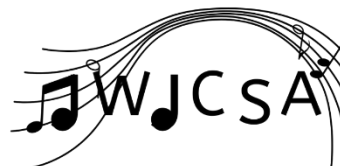
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Jerusalem Baptist Church

Our Featured Artists
Jeongseon Choi
Marquita Ntim
Lois Brown
Bradley A. Thomas, Esq.
Giant Food
Our Volunteers and all who participated in this concert series