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OCTFME Recognizes Industrial Bank as the December 2018 Location of the Month





Washington, D.C. -- The Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment (OCTFME) recognizes Industrial Bank as the December 2018 Location of the Month.

Its historic U Street location, the preservation of the original 1930's vault and iconic Bank Clock, make Industrial Bank a great location for filming. Industrial Bank is a remarkable testament to the black business movement that began in downtown Washington and the U Street area in the early 1900s. Founded in 1934 by Jesse H. Mitchell, a Howard University Law School graduate (class of 1907), Industrial Bank opened its doors to deliver essential banking and financial services that contributed greatly to the growth and development of DC communities. When it opened, it was the only black-owned bank in the city.

In 2016, Industrial Bank had its first ever major renovation to the original U Street Branch, creating a café style with seating. They are the only African-American family owned community bank in the Washington, DC area and one of the largest in the country. They have remained strong because of their mission to promote the financial and economic empowerment of their diverse community.

“As a principal fixture in DC for over 80 years, Industrial Bank is so excited to be chosen as the December 2018 location of the month,” stated Melanee Woodard, Industrial Bank Assistant Vice President and Marketing Manager. “While there were many updates, we proudly preserved the original bank vault. We welcome you to visit us on U Street and any of our other branch locations to experience incomparable customer care.”

To learn more about Industrial Bank and the many things they are doing in the community, visit www.industrial-bank.com or OCTFME's locations referral resource [DC Reel-Scout Directory](#).

The “*Location of the Month*” initiative is part of the agency’s mission to market and support District locales as media production locations, and to bring attention to the wide range of cinematically compelling locations that are available to film and television productions.

If you have a suggestion for a future OCTFME Location of the Month we would love to hear from you. If you own or manage a business, venue or location you would like to be featured as a “Location of the Month,” or if you are a filmmaker or a fan of local filmmaking with a suggestion for a unique DC location OCTFME could feature in the future “Location of the Month” please use this [nomination form](#) and tell us all about it.

About OCTFME:

The mission of the Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment is to produce and broadcast programming for the District of Columbia’s public, educational, and government access (PEG) cable channels; regulate the District of Columbia’s cable television service providers; provide customer service for cable subscribers; and support a sustainable creative economy and job market in the District of Columbia.

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