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OCTFME RECOGNIZES DOCK 5 AS THE MAY 2026 LOCATION OF THE MONTH

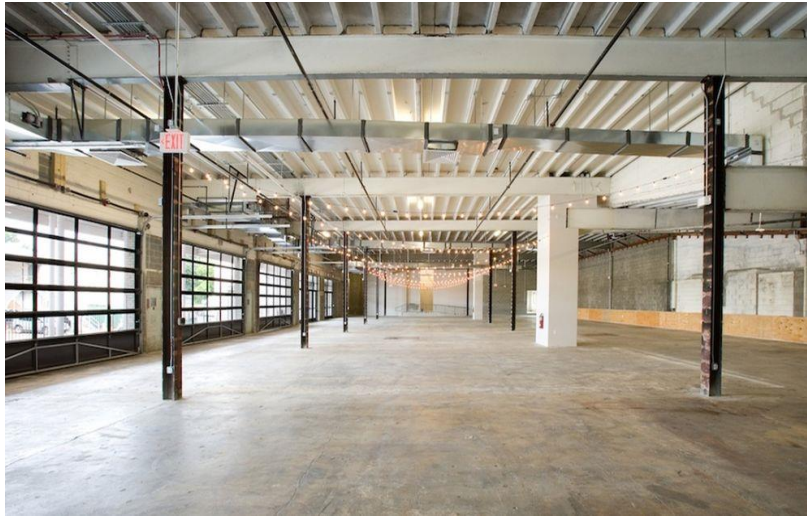


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(Washington, DC) – The District of Columbia Office of Cable Television, Film, Music, and Entertainment (OCTFME) has named Dock 5 as the May 2026 Location of the Month, a rare blank canvas that productions can easily adapt for film, photography or large creative setups.

Offering more than 12,000 square feet of open warehouse space, Dock 5 provides an industrial backdrop with high ceilings and a wide, unobstructed floor plan – making it an ideal blank canvas for productions of all sizes. The space’s flexibility allows crews to build sets, design multiple scenes, and execute large format creative concepts with ease.

“Dock 5 reflects the kind of adaptable, production-ready space that continues to make Washington, DC an attractive destination for filmmakers,” said LaToya Foster, OCTFME Director and Film Commissioner. *“From its scale and accessibility to its proximity to the creative energy of the Union Market District, it provides filmmakers with both the flexibility and authenticity needed to bring their stories to life.”*

Dock 5 is located in the heart of Northeast Washington, DC’s thriving Union Market District — a vibrant streetscape of shopping, fine and casual dining, arts, entertainment and nightlife, it’s a discovery destination for visitors and locals alike. The venue’s connection to adjacent outdoor areas further enhances the production value, offering additional options for staging, natural light filming, and expanded production footprints.

Dock 5’s industrial character features original structural elements, clean sightlines, and ample space for lighting and equipment allows productions to fully customize the environment without competing design

elements. The venue also supports efficient production logistics, including convenient load-in/load-out access and nearby exterior spaces suitable for additional filming or staging.

“Dock 5 has long been a place where people come together to celebrate food, culture, and creativity,” said Elizabeth Harnik, Senior Director of Events & Experiences. “We’re excited to extend that spirit to the film and photography community, and to support productions that want to capture the character of the Union Market District.”

For more information and to book Dock 5, visit <https://unionmarketdc.com/venue/dock5> or email umvenues@edens.com. Follow them on [Instagram](#) and explore Dock 5’s [DC Reel-Scout Profile](#) and for other film-friendly locations in Washington, DC, visit our [Location of the Month](#) section at entertainment.dc.gov.

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About LOCATION OF THE MONTH

The "Location of the Month" initiative is part of the agency's mission to market and support District locales as entertainment destinations, and media production locations. LOTM brings attention to the wide range of cinematically compelling locations available for events, and 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 DC business, venue, or location to be considered as a "Location of the Month," please use this [nomination form](#) and tell us all about it.

About OCTFME

The DC [Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment](#) (OCTFME), an award-winning District of Columbia Government agency, leads the city’s extensive efforts to build and support a sustainable film, music, and entertainment creative economy and labor market. Additionally, OCTFME serves as the city’s cable television service provider regulator and as the customer service hub for cable subscribers.

OCTFME’s extensive portfolio includes:

- The District’s government cable access channels [District Council Channel](#) (DCC), the [District of Columbia Network](#) (DCN), and the [District Knowledge Network](#) (DKN)
- [DC Radio](#) (96.3 HD4), OCTFME’s owned and operated digital radio station, in partnership with Howard University’s WHUR.
- [District of Columbia Entertainment Network](#) (D.C.E), OCTFME’s 24-hour streaming platform available worldwide on ROKU, Apple TV, and Amazon Fire TV as well as iPhone and Android mobile devices (download the D.C.E Network App or at D.C.ENetwork.com).
- The handling of all of the District’s filmmaker production needs including **permits, city services, and logistical support**, job placement assistance, workforce development and the [D.C. Film, Television, and Entertainment Rebate Fund](#) (D.C. Rebate Fund).
- Providing additional support to the creative community through the [Creative Affairs Office](#) (CAO) and [Mayor Muriel Bowser Presents: 202Creates](#) initiative. CAO showcases and preserves the District of Columbia’s rich creative communities throughout all 8 Wards.

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