



DC REACHES FOR THE STARS

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**OCTFME RECOGNIZES PRINCESS MHOON AS THE
OFFICE OF CABLE TELEVISION, FILM, MUSIC AND
ENTERTAINMENT DC STAR**



This pillar of the DC dance community is the Founder and CEO of the acclaimed Princess Mhoon Dance Studio whose mission is to educate, unite, transform, and heal our community through the power of dance.

Washington, D.C. – Each Quarter of the year the District of Columbia Office of Cable

Television, Film, Music, and Entertainment (OCTFME) highlights the achievements of a District of Columbia resident who exemplifies excellence in the area of creativity, education, creative entrepreneurship, economic revitalization of creative businesses, social justice or racial equity. OCTFME is delighted to recognize Princess Mhoon as the DC STAR.

Princess Mhoon is the Founder and CEO of The Princess Mhoon Dance Institute (PMDI), an acclaimed dance institute located in Washington, DC. Having served thousands of families through in-studio and off-site programs, PMDI's mission is to educate, unite, transform and heal our community through the power of dance.

"As the Princess Mhoon Dance Institute celebrates a decade of service to the District of Columbia, it's an incredible honor to have been chosen as an OCTFME DC STAR. Throughout my career in the nation's capital, I have not only honed my craft, but also had the honor to create opportunities for others through my work as a director, choreographer, and educator. Creating jobs and artistic opportunities is a personal mission and I look forward to continuing this work for another decade," said Princess Mhoon.

Recently called a "pillar of the DC dance community" by Mayor Muriel Bowser, Princess Mhoon is a performer, choreographer, director, educator, entrepreneur and scholar. With work commissioned by the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and the DC Jazz Festival, Princess Mhoon has been called "a visionary of her generation" and was named one of the "25 to Watch" by Dance Magazine and "Top African American Female Choreographers You Should Know" by Huffington Post.

Mhoon is a second generation artist and entrepreneur who has set her sights on enhancing the artistic landscape of the Nation's Capital. She was invited to participate as one of the region's leading dance leaders by First Lady Michelle Obama during her Celebration of Black Women in Dance; she also served as a panelist for The White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans during Women's History Month and acknowledged by the administration as a "Black Girl Change Maker."

Mhoon has served on faculty at American University and Howard University, the latter where she received a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Dance and a Master of Arts degree in Public History, and was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award in Theatre Arts.

A docuseries, TEN: A Decade of Dance in the Nation's Capital, premiered in December 2020 and highlights Princess Mhoon and the Princess Mhoon Dance Institute's artistic work past, present, and future.

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OCTFME DC STAR

OCTFME launched the “Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment DC STAR” as a Creative Industry Contributor Spotlight Feature. It highlights and recognizes the achievements of one (1) District resident per quarter who has demonstrated a significant and notable accomplishment in the area of creativity, education, creative entrepreneurship, economic revitalization of the creative businesses, social justice, or racial equity in the District of Columbia.

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About OCTFME

The Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment (OCTFME) produces and broadcasts programming for the District of Columbia’s public, educational, and government access (PEG) cable television channels and digital radio station; regulates the District of Columbia’s cable television service providers; provides customer service for cable subscribers; and supports a sustainable film, music, and entertainment creative economy and labor market in the District of Columbia.

OCTFME operates and manages the District’s government television access channels: the District Council Channel (DCC), the District of Columbia Network (DCN), and the District Knowledge Network (DKN). OCTFME’s award-winning content provides resourceful information on government activity, education, current events, history, music, arts, and entertainment. OCTFME manages and programs DC Radio 96.3 HD4 digital radio station, the District of Columbia’s first government radio station in partnership with Howard University’s WHUR. It is one of only two full-power, city-managed and programmed radio stations in the country

OCTFME provides production support services that advance film, television, video, entertainment, interactive, multimedia, and digital media content creators. These services include permitting; location scouting; production support; job placement assistance; workforce development; and the DC Film, Television and Entertainment Rebate Fund.

OCTFME supports the creative economy through Mayor Muriel Bowser Presents: 202Creates initiative, administering programs supporting the growth and sustainability of the creative industries in all 8 Wards of the District.

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