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OCTFME RECOGNIZES EZ STREET AS THE OFFICE OF CABLE TELEVISION, FILM, MUSIC, AND ENTERTAINMENT "DC STAR!"



This television and radio personality with over 28-years of industry experience is the CEO and Founder of Creative Solutions for Youth LLC.

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 **EZ STREET**, as the recipient of this distinction.

EZ Street is a television and radio personality with over 30 years of industry experience in the broadcasting field. EZ Street work includes, but is not limited to radio and live, in-person interviews, hosting television, entertainment and social events, speaking engagements, sports analyst, DJ, appearing in and producing radio and television commercials, and radio, television and pod-cast production work, etc. EZ Street is also the CEO and Founder of Creative Solutions for Youth LLC, leading the Academy by providing first-hand knowledge, experience, expertise and training to the DYRS students.

EZ Street is currently a radio personality at 96.3 WHUR in Washington, DC. For the past 5 years, he's appeared on WTTG, Fox 5 covering the Washington Football Team, the Official DJ for NBC Sports Washington, covering the Washington Wizards, Celebrity Dish, and "Like It or Not."

Through a federally funded contract with CSOSA, EZ Street also created and specially designed The EZ Street Music Industry Academy to help reduce recidivism in the Washington DC area. EZ has and continues to be heavily involved with mentoring, motivational speaking and volunteer work in the Washington, DC community. His mentoring, motivational speaking and volunteer work has extended to hundreds of local artists, schools, community centers and non-profit organizations addressing issues like peer pressure, the importance of education, goal setting, college readiness, HIV and AIDS awareness, homelessness, domestic violence, etc. EZ was the first to produce "DMV Artist Showcases" that invited artists to the radio station for an interview, played their songs on the air and hosted live performance venues across the DMV area to showcase their talent to the community.

With the hopes of reducing violence in the DMV, EZ Street has created and powered these radio and social media advertisements, as well as geotagged campaign ads, to target the heaviest hit areas of crime and violence.

"It's truly an honor to receive this award. Serving Washington DC is something we take very serious at Creative Solutions 4 Youth. We look forward to continuing our work in our great city. As you know it's been a very tough summer for our city. We service hundreds of vulnerable youth and returning citizens via our several contracts with the district. My apologies for not getting these items back to you sooner," said EZ Street.

Over the last 24 years in the Washington DC area, EZ Street has appeared and delivered hundreds of motivational speeches to youth and juveniles. On August 17, 2017, EZ Street hosted Mayor Bowser's My Brother's Keeper Mentorship Volunteer Fair for Serve DC at the National Press Club.

EZ Street created, produced and hosts The Street Report television program, which airs on the Washington, DC-based DCN created by Mayor Bowser (OCTFME). The Street Report also airs in Prince George's County, Montgomery County and Arlington County on cable television. As a homage to DC talent, at the end of each episode, a DC artist performs one song to close out each show. EZ Street's commitment to DC area artists is un-parallel as he continues to share his vast knowledge, wisdom, expertise, connections and understanding of music and radio.

EZ is a proud United States Marine Corps Veteran and a proud parent of three. His youngest daughter, known as "DJ Little Bacon Bear", hosts evenings at 93.9 WKYS here in Washington, DC with ratings showing she has and continues to be #1 in her time slot. She was taught and trained by her father with the same knowledge, wisdom and expertise that has been documented in The EZ Street Music Industry Academy curriculum.

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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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