



The Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. presents

The 2023 Annual  
**SCHOLARSHIP AND  
PUBLIC SERVICE LUNCHEON**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2023

12 pm to 5 pm

*Coral House on Milburn Lake*

70 Milburn Avenue, Baldwin, NY



*Celebrating Academic and Artistic Excellence*







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*The Best Team Ever!!!*



## *Global Excellence Through Service and Fortitude*

The Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was chartered on June 4, 1951.

The present chapter name is actually its third. The original name was Delta Theta Sigma Chapter. In 1957, we became the Long Island Alumnae Chapter. Finally in 1964, we were renamed to Queens Alumnae Chapter. Ethel Cuff Black, one of the 22 Founders of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was one of the charter members of the chapter. Founder Black remained active until her retirement. At present, the chapter has over 200 members; all hold a minimum of a Bachelor's degree. Approximately 75% of the membership hold postgraduate degrees. The chapter welcomes the opportunity to partner with other organizations and community leaders that share the same goals and ideals. The charge of the chapter continues to be that of offering programs and services for the betterment of humanity.





## *Welcome Message From Our President*

As the President of the Quintessential Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., I am filled with gratitude and pride as we come together to celebrate a momentous occasion - our Annual Scholarship and Public Service Luncheon. This event is not only a testament to the dedication of our sorority but also a celebration of the outstanding individuals who have made significant contributions to academic and artistic excellence in our community. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you who has joined us today. Your presence here reflects the shared commitment we have towards education, service, and the betterment of our community. It is truly heartwarming to witness the support that surrounds us, and I am honored to be part of an organization that stands as a beacon of empowerment and inspiration. Today, we gather to present young scholars with over \$30,000 in scholarships and to celebrate their academic achievement. We will also recognize two exceptional individuals who have left an indelible mark on our community through their dedication to artistic excellence. Carolyn Devore and Donna Edge-Rachell, our esteemed 2023 Community Partner honorees, have exemplified the spirit of leadership, service, and artistic brilliance. Their accomplishments have not only enriched our lives but have also inspired generations to come.

Carolyn Devore, through her tireless efforts and unwavering commitment to the arts, has paved the way for countless individuals to reach new heights. Donna Edge-Rachell, with her artistic prowess, has illuminated our community with the beauty of creativity and expression. Today, we acknowledge and express our deepest gratitude to these remarkable women who have made a lasting impact on the tapestry of our community.

In the spirit of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., we believe in the power of sisterhood, scholarship, service and social action. Our commitment to scholarship and public service is a legacy that we proudly carry forward, and today's luncheon is a testament to the impact we can make when we come together with a shared vision. As we revel in the joy of this occasion, let us remember the importance of supporting one another, fostering educational opportunities, and nurturing the arts within our community. Together, we can continue to build a legacy of excellence that transcends generations.

Thank you to our Fundraising and Scholarship committees for your unwavering commitment to the Queens Alumnae Chapter. I also would like to thank YOU for your continued support and for joining us in celebrating the achievements of Carolyn Devore and Donna Edge-Rachell. May their stories inspire us all to reach new heights and make a positive difference in the world around us.

Thank you and may our sisterhood and commitment to service continue to flourish.

Sisterly,

*Charelle Hassell-Gilbert*

President , Queens Alumnae Chapter

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



**Chapter President**  
**Charelle Hassell-Gilbert**







*Greetings to the Sorors of the Queens Alumnae Chapter, Family, and Friends,  
Congratulations on celebrating the 2023 Annual Scholarship and Public Service Luncheon - "Celebrating Academic and Artistic Excellence". The chapter's dedication and commitment to the community is admirable and a testament of hard work and steadfastness. As pillars of the Queens community since 1951, the chapter has exemplified its devotion to scholarship, public service, and social action. The members of this illustrious chapter have groomed future leaders through its scholarship and youth group programs, and for that you are to be applauded!*

*It gives me great joy to see this labor of love and the fruits of Queens Alumnae's labor on display today! As the 2023 Annual Scholarship and Public Service Luncheon is celebrated, we are ever mindful of the reasons why we work to educate and secure the future of our children. Investing in our youth is our civic responsibility because they are our future. As stakeholders in the Queens community, together we must support and empower future generations of leaders. I am incredibly proud of the Queens Alumnae Chapter and especially proud of this signature event.*

*Since our chartering in 1951, the Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. has been working together with community leaders, educators, and social activists to fulfill the commitment of enhancing and enriching the Queens community. You, the Queens Alumnae Chapter have dedicated much of your service around education and promoting scholastic achievement. You are committed to making a lasting impact on the lives of the children and families you serve.*

*Thank you for blessing this community with your presence and generosity. Your continued service affords us the opportunity to provide stellar programming and educational opportunities to the children and families of Queens. Thank you for your continued collaboration, commitment, and encouragement as you forge ahead to make impactful change in the Queens community.*

*Yours In Service,*

*Dr. Marie-Carmel Durandisse Pressley  
Eastern Region Member, National Scholarship and Standards Committee*



Greetings,

Today we are ***"Celebrating Academic and Artistic Excellence!"***

Congratulations to our scholarship recipients who have achieved one of life's many milestones. They have begun their preparation by recognizing the words of Malcolm X, "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today."

To our honorees, *Carolyn DeVore* and *Donna Edge-Rachell*, kudos to you for your dedication and continuous service to the youth of the Queens community. Your commitment helps to make it possible for our children to have a better tomorrow.

To our unwavering supporters, thank you! Without your support and acknowledgement of the importance of education, we would not be here. It is because of you; we can provide these deserving scholars with financial aid in the hopes that they will graduate debt-free.

Furthermore, we extend our deepest gratitude to the generous contributors and benevolent individuals who have bolstered our cause. Your unwavering commitment to fostering education and nurturing talent has truly made a lasting impact.

Finally, Congratulations to the Officers and Members of Queens Alumnae Chapter for a job well done. Your hard work and perseverance have once again made it possible for our ***2023 Scholarship and Public Service Luncheon, "Celebrating Academic and Artistic Excellence,"*** to be a resounding success. Your dedication to empowering the next generation through education and recognizing artistic achievements is commendable. Together, we are shaping a brighter and more promising future for our community.

Sincerely,

Naneka J. Brathwaite, Tracey Cole-Brown, Constance M. Brown

Fundraising Committee Tri-Chairs

Queens Alumnae Chapter

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.





# *Scholarship & Public Service Program*

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**Welcome**

**Tracey Cole-Brown**

**Invocation**

**Dr. Keisha Agard-Williams**

**Greetings and Recognition**

**Charelle Hassell-Gilbert**

**Greetings - State Coordinator NY Metro**

**Randi Horton Gray**

**Greetings - Member, National Scholarship  
& Standards Committee**

**Dr. Marie-Carmel Durandisse-Pressley**

**Social Action Presentation**

**Roslin Spigner & Renee Taylor**

**Honoree Presentation -  
Donna Edge-Rachell**

**Tracey Cole Brown, Constance Brown  
& Alicia Hyndman**

**Dance Performance**

**ESOTA Dance Troupe**

**Scholarship Presentation**

**Donna Atmore-Dolly**

**Lunch**

**Indira Goodwine-Josias**

**Honoree Presentation -  
Carolyn DeVore**

**Tracey Cole Brown, Constance Brown  
& Alicia Hyndman**

**Dance Performance**

**DeVore Dance Center**

**Raffle Drawings**

**Mindy Weekes, Pam Evans-Sewer  
& Darice Bynoe**

**Final Remarks**

**Naneka Braithwaite, Tracey Cole Brown  
& Charelle Hassell-Gilbert**

**Benediction**

**Dr. Keisha Agard**

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**Scholarship & Public Service Luncheon  
Vendors Village 2023**

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## CHAPTER PHOTOS





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Agard, Keisha  
Aladenoye, Stephanie  
Alladin, Michelle  
Allen, Dia  
Anderson, Elizabeth  
Andrade, Nicole  
Armstead, Daphne  
Atmore, Lorna  
Atmore-Dolly, Donna  
Bailey, Nicole  
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Barnett, Dorothy  
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Beane, Peggy  
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Bostic, Joan-Ann  
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Britton, Jennifer  
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Brown, Constance  
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Bryan, Carlene  
Bussey, MaryAnn  
Bynoe, Darice  
Cagle, Diana  
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Davis, Tiffani  
Deans, Leticia  
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Douglass, Katrina  
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Dudley, Jacqueline  
Duncan, Yvonne  
Durandisse Pressley, Marie-Carmel  
Edge-Rachell, Donna  
Evans-Sewer, Pamela  
Faison-Reeves, Deirdre  
Ford-Harvey, Bridget  
Foss, Janice  
Fougere, Jeanie  
Foy, Lenola  
Franklin, Mary  
Gaines, Mary  
Garris, Tiffany  
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Geder-Diggs, Sonya  
Glover, Jahnara  
Goodwine-Josias, Indira  
Grant, Camesha  
Grant, Nubia  
Gray, Edith  
Gray-Joassainte, Natasha  
Green, Beatrice  
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Gresham, Cynthia  
Griles-Brown, Dayna  
Hall, Audrey  
Hall, Marvlieu  
Hall, Nia  
Harris, Tawanda  
Hassell-Gilbert, Charelle  
Henderson, Denise-Nicole  
Henry, Thyra  
Houston, Doris  
Husbands, Tra'Lynn  
Hyndman, Alicia  
Jack, Moira  
Jacko, Aneesha  
Jackson, Elnora  
Jackson, Natasha  
Jarvis, Tishara  
Jean-Zephyrin, Carlene

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Jenkins-Krind, Dana  
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Johnson-White, Denise  
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Leonard, Alicia  
Lesesne, Dorette  
Lowery, Virginia  
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Madhere, Joanne  
Mallett, Tanisha  
Martin, Tiffany  
Martin, Zakiya  
Matthews-Harper, Chayvonne  
McCottry, Gwendolyn  
McDaniel, Joan  
Mitchell, Gail  
Monroe, Sharlene  
Morrison, Tariqua  
Murphy, Ayanna  
Nabors, Joanne  
Nicholls, Renee  
Noel, Timyiaka  
Norman, Jennifer  
Nurse-Wright, Gwendolyn  
Oliver, Mattie  
Oyalabu, Oluwabukola  
Padgett, Tyra  
Palmer, Kishshana  
Parcells-Grant, Maritza  
Parker, Pascal  
Pendarvis, Janice  
Pendergrass, Dolores  
Phaire, Candace  
Phillips Gibson, Myrna  
Price, Marie  
Profit, Shalonda  
Quick, Tawanda  
Rabsatt, Carol  
Riley-Phillip, Cleopatra  
Rodgers-Hill, Vivian  
Rogers, Lashun  
Rose, Antoinette  
Ross-Roden, Francine  
Rowser-Brown, Tawana  
Scott, Tracey  
Scudder, La'Lisa  
Seabrooks, Regina  
Seaton, Raveen  
Serville Jeffers, Beryl  
Session, Nicolle  
Simmons, Sylvia  
Smith, Heather  
Smith, Marlene  
Smith, Marsha  
Smith-Norman, Rosa  
Soanes, Michele  
Spigner, Roslin  
Stevens, Shaunna  
Stuart, Linnea  
Sykes, Kenya  
Taylor, Jamila  
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Teal, Tanisha  
Thornhill, Charlene  
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Thorpe, Chrishelle  
Tinsley, Phyllis  
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Tomlinson, Virginia  
Townsend, Kenya  
Waldron, Nyoka  
Walthall, Gayle  
Washington, Joy  
Webster, Diane  
Weekes, Armenta  
Whitfield, Rovina  
Wilkinson, Vikkie  
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*Exemplary  
International Awareness & Involvement*

*Queens Alumnae*

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VIRTUAL AWARDS  
*Ceremony*

Elevating Excellence in the EAST

CONGRATULATIONS

TO THE 2022-23

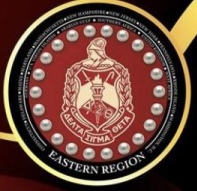


*Alumnae Soror - Community Impact*

*Soror Donna Atmore-Dolly*  
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RECIPIENTS



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**Queens Alumnae ROCKS!!!!**

# Queens Alumnae Members “Elected Officials”





Alicia Hyndman  
NYS Assemblywoman  
Assembly District 29



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NYC Council Member  
31st Council District





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NYC Council Member  
27th Council District



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**Queens County District Leader**  
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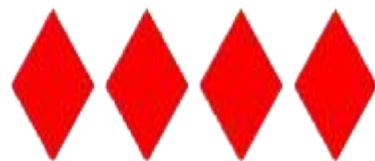


**2023-24**  
**COMMUNITY PARTNER**  
**HONOREES**





DONNA



EDGE-RACHELL

Emmy Award winning Television Producer Donna Edge-Rachell began a love affair with the arts when her mother enrolled her in dance classes at the Bernice Johnson Cultural Arts Center at the age of 3. At "the studio", an enclave of elite dance in the heart of Southeast Queens, Donna studied under masters such as "Beat It" and "Thriller" choreographer Michael Peters, Broadway veteran Ben Vereen, pioneering Black Ballerina Rosemary Llanchi Stevenson, Jazz King Frank Hatchett, and Dance Africa Founder Chuck Davis to name a few. She continued her career as a dancer, studying at New York's famed High School of Performing Arts (now LaGuardia High School), on scholarship at Alvin Ailey, touring with the Eglevsky Ballet's "The Nutcracker", and making stage and film appearances in such movies as "Fame".

After graduating from Wesleyan University with a degree in Psychology, Donna shifted her focus behind-the-scenes. Short stints in advertising and promotions at Young & Rubicam, administration at Actor's Equity, and as Director of Distribution for Janus Films, ultimately led her into production as a producer for The Voyager Company's critically acclaimed Criterion Collection. Donna then turned to television, and over the years has produced for personalities as varied as domestic goddess Martha Stewart, Academy Award winning actress/director Lee Grant, music manager turned mogul Mona Scott Young, and hip hop legend Funkmaster Flex. She has produced programming for MTV, VH1, OWN, WE, TLC, CBS, Lifetime, A&E, ESPN, CMT, and PBS, and has 3 Emmys, 5 Emmy nominations, and 2 MTV Movie & TV Awards among other accolades for her efforts.

Donna has produced programming such as "TI & Tiny's Friends and Family Hustle", "Starter Wives Confidential", "Real Simple", "Hair Trauma" and multiple episodes of A&E's "Biography" and Lifetime's "Intimate Portraits" series. She was an Executive Producer for Paramount where she oversaw the relaunch of Vh1's #1 reality franchise - "Love and Hip Hop", and developed new series such as "Family Reunion", "Couple's Retreat", "Run It Back" and "Shaunie & Keion: Destination I Do". In 2022 Ms. Edge-Rachell was named the President of Antoinette Media, a Black female led, full service production company in a Joint Venture with Paramount, that under the leadership of CEO/Founder Lashan Browning, boasts a slate of diverse scripted and non-scripted programming on the air and in development.

Through it all, Donna stayed connected to dance as a Co-Owner and Business Manager of The Edge School of the Arts (ESOTA) alongside her mother Beverly and sisters Wendy and Kerri. Founded in 1996 with the intention of continuing the legacy of the Bernice Johnson Cultural Arts Center which stood as a beacon of cultural and artistic excellence for almost 50 years, ESOTA has now been its own community staple for 28 years. ESOTA dedicates itself to bringing the arts to young aspiring artists and audiences both in the community and abroad.

Donna takes great pride in serving her community, mentoring youth, and passing her love of the arts on to the next generation. She resides in Baldwin Harbor with her husband Jay, and is a proud member of Delta Sigma Sorority, Inc.'s Queens Alumnae Chapter.





# CAROLYN DEVORE

*Carolyn DeVore, Founder/Artistic Director of the DeVore Dance Center, was born and raised in St. Alban's Queens.*

Carolyn holds a Bachelor's Degree in Modern Dance and Secondary Education from Brooklyn College and a Master Degree in Special Education from Adelphi University. Ms. DeVore attended the Bernice Johnson Cultural Arts Center, where she studied with distinguished dancers and choreographers – Micheal Peters, Ben Vereen, Arthur Mitchell, and Bernice Johnson herself.

Carolyn DeVore has built a historic and life changing career as a dance educator and dean at Benjamin N. Cardozo High School ("Dozo"). Her advocacy and care for students to reach their highest potential has helped many to become leaders in their own right.

Circa 1990, she had a vision to reach young people through the art of dance. She founded the DeVore Dance Center which is the home of a cultural arts program impressing the importance of performance, academics, and character development.

For over 33 years, DeVore Dance Center has attracted thousands of dancers throughout New York. Students have enjoyed the opportunity to learn directly from Ms. DeVore and to experience dance on a higher level.

Through programs offered at DeVore and her work at "Dozo", students can expand, cultivate, and educate others through reawakening their sense of community through the arts. The DeVore Dance Center is currently located in St. Albans, Queens and Ms. DeVore resides in Freeport, NY with her husband Eli.

*Presenting Our*

**2023-2024  
SCHOLARSHIP  
RECIPIENTS**





# **JA'NYA CASHWELL**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Georgia State University
  - Freshman
- Major: Business Administration





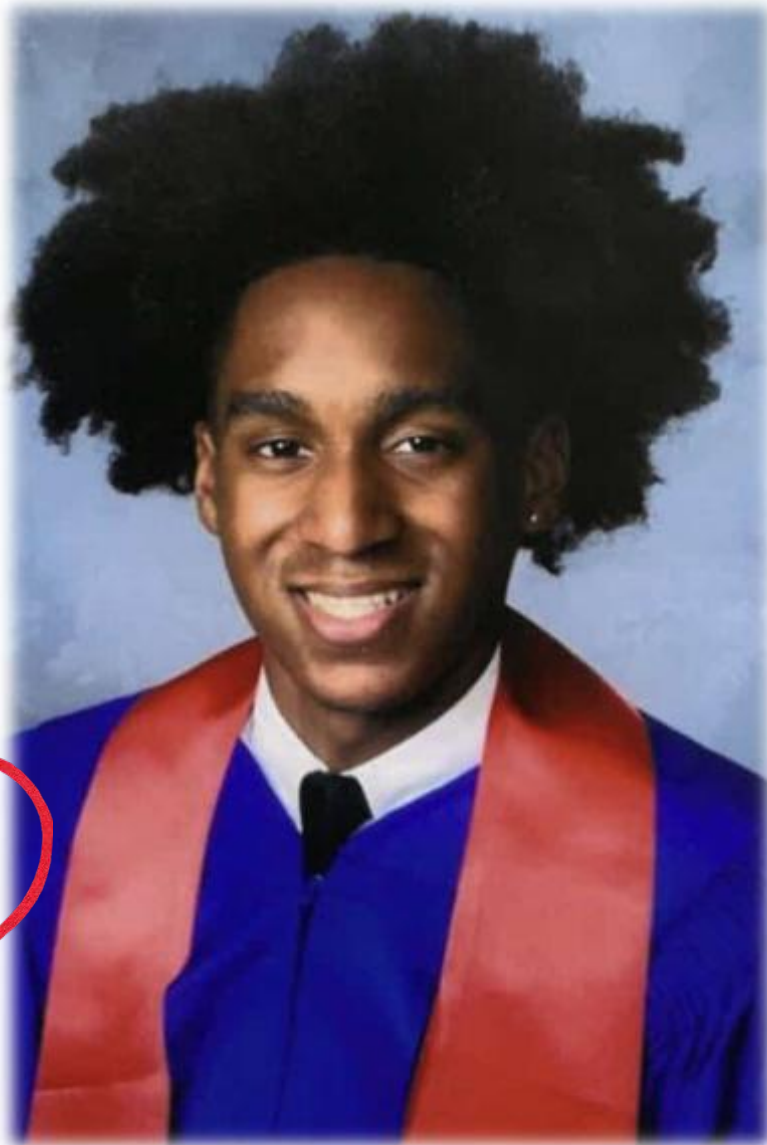
# LINDA DERRY

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Queens College
- Rising Sophomore
- Major: Visual Arts







# BRANDON DONALDSON

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- St. John's University
- Rising Sophomore
- Major: Accounting/Finance





# **MORGAN DONALDSON**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- North Carolina A & T
- Rising Freshman
- Major: Architectural Engineering







# **KEREN ELMORE**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Harvard University
- Rising Sophomore
- Major: Government/Public Policy





# **MYA HENDERSON**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Howard University
- Rising Sophomore
- Major: Biology





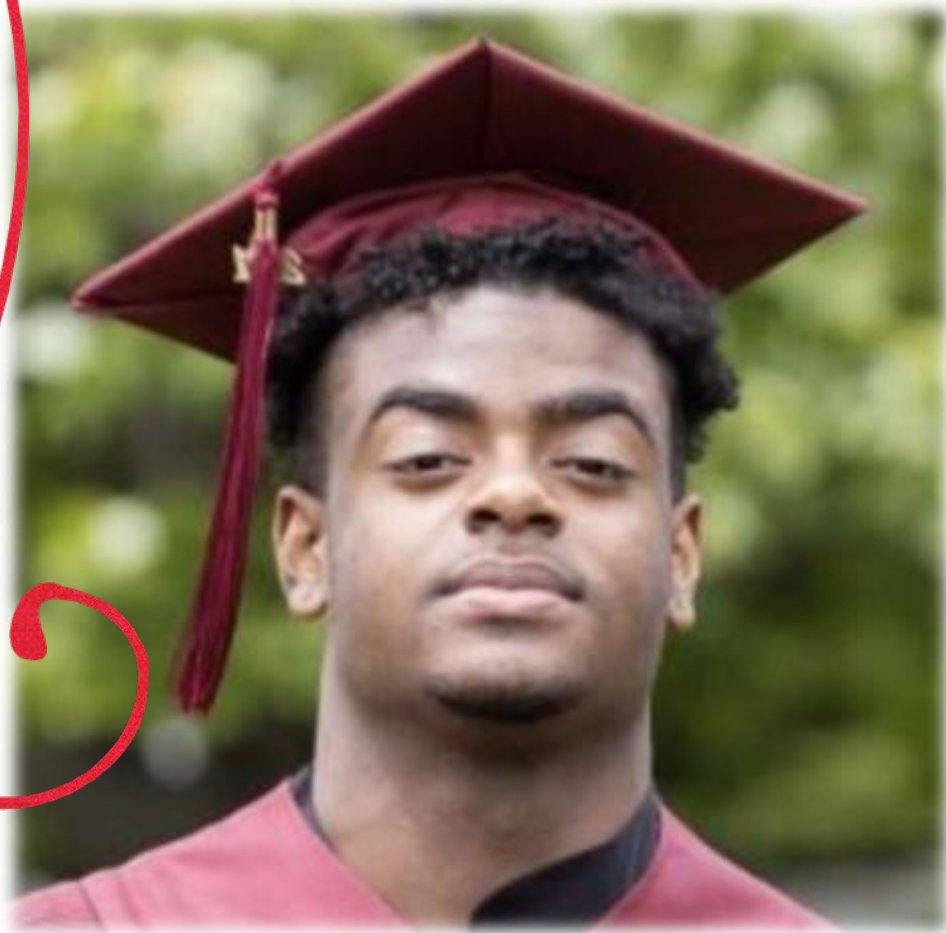


# **MYAH MITCHELL**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Tuskegee University
  - Rising Junior
- Major: Aerospace Engineering





# **DARIUS OSBORNE**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Howard University
  - Rising Junior
  - Major: English







# ANDRE SIMMONS

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Adelphi University
  - Freshman
- Major: Performing Arts





# **AUTUMN WILLIAMSON**

**2023-2024 Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Howard University
  - Rising Senior
- Major: Business Management







# **MAKAYLA CHARLES**

**2023-2024 Founder Ethel Cuff Black  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Dartmouth College
  - Freshman
- Major: Econ/Chemistry





# **ANTOINETTE SLAUGHTER**

**2023-2024 Emalena Jones Davis North  
Scholarship Recipient**

- Freshman
- Penn State University
- Major: Nursing







Council Member Nantasha Williams  
27th Council District

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November 18th, 2023

*Dear Queens Alumnae Chapter Sorors,*

I hope this letter finds you in good spirits. I am thrilled to extend my heartfelt congratulations on the occasion of our Annual Scholarship and Public Service Luncheon. The significance of this event resonates deeply within our community and underscores our commitment to scholarship.

This year's theme, "Celebrating Academic and Artistic Excellence," holds special meaning for me, having witnessed firsthand the transformative power of education and artistic expression in our community. As a former student of Ms. Devore and a fellow Soror of Donna and student at ESOTA, I have experienced the positive impact Dance and mentors have in shaping young lives. Your contributions to this event, both as honorees and supporters, reaffirm the importance of nurturing talent and fostering growth among the youth.

Our chapter's commitment to scholarship, public service, and community betterment shines brightly through the programs and services we offer. I am immensely proud to be part of an organization that has awarded over half a million dollars in scholarships and continues to uplift our community through various initiatives.

I extend my warmest congratulations once again to the honorees, recognizing your remarkable achievements and contributions. Together, let us continue to inspire, educate, and empower the young minds of Queens, shaping a brighter future for generations to come.

In Sisterhood and Service,

*Nantasha Williams*

Nantasha Williams  
Soror of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated





**Queens Alumnae  
SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**

*Congratulations*

**to the 2023**

*Scholarship Award Recipients*

**and**

*Community Partner Honorees*

*Chair, Donna Atmore-Dolly*

*Nicole M. Andrade Esq. — Lorna Atmore — Darcel P. Chapman*

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*Beryl S. Jeffers — Marian D. Johnson — Alicia Leonard*

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*Timyiaka Noel — Nyoka D. Waldron Esq. — Diane L. Webster*

*Audrey Wilson — Michelle Wilson*



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Queens Alumnae Spring 2017

**Congratulates the 2023**

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Scholarship Award  
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Honorees

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*Don't settle for average. Bring your best to the moment. Then, whether it fails or succeeds, at least you know you gave all you had. We need to live the best that's in us.*

— Angela Bassett



**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
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**Best Wishes to the  
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Community Partner Honorees and  
Scholarship Recipients**



*From,*  
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Congratulates Queens Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on The Annual 2023 Scholarship and Public Service Luncheon "*Celebrating Academic and Artistic Excellence*".



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**The 2023-24 Scholarship Recipients  
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Carolyn DeVore and Donna Edge-Rachell**

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- *Darius Osborne*
- *Makayla Charles*
- *Keren Elmore*
- *Andre Simmons*
- *Linda Derry*
- *Mya Henderson*
- *Antoinette Slaughter*
- *Brandon Donaldson*
- *Myah Mitchell*
- *Autumn Williamson*

and

## The 2023 Community Partner Honorees

*Carolyn DeVore and Donna Edge-Rachell*



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# *Congratulations*

**2023 SCHOLARSHIPSHIP RECIPIENTS  
AND  
QUEENS ALUMNAE CHAPTER OF  
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED  
WORK IN THE QUEENS COMMUNITY**

**DIONNE CLARKE-GRILES**

**JACKIE EVANS**

**RALPH EVANS**

**SEQUOYA EVANS-CRADLE**

**KATHRYN EVANS-SHADE**

**JEFFREY GRILES**

**JARRED JACK- HAREWOOD**

**STEPHANIE MA-HAREWOOD**

**STEPHANIE PHILLIPS**

**& OUR FAMILIES**

**SPECIAL WISHES TO  
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Congratulations!

*Donna Edge-Rachell*

We are so proud of your accomplishments!

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Jordynn, Justinn, Jazmynn,  
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To our very own  
Carolyn DeVore  
&

Co-Honoree  
Donna Edge-Rachell  
On Receiving The

**2023 COMMUNITY  
PARTNER AWARD**



**Congratulations**

**To The**

**Queens Alumnae Chapter  
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.,  
and**

**Chapter Members  
Tiffani Davis & Roslyn Spigner**

**#DDC4L**





Makayla L.  
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# Makayla L. Charles

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Congratulations Makayla on your wonderful achievement. Everyone is proud of the work that you have done, but more importantly your ability to have compassion for others. By you going beyond the spaces that were created for you, your accomplishments show that you're more dazzling each day.  
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# **Congratulations**

*to my*

*Life Long Friends and Sisters in Dance*

**Donna Edge-Rachell & Carolyn DeVore**

*Love*


**Cecily Simmons**






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THEY WERE AT THE  
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WE ARE ON THE FRONT LINES. A CONTINUATION...

#MOW60 #MarchOnWashington #DST1913

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Happy Birthday to our Founder  
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**Ethel L. Cuff Black**







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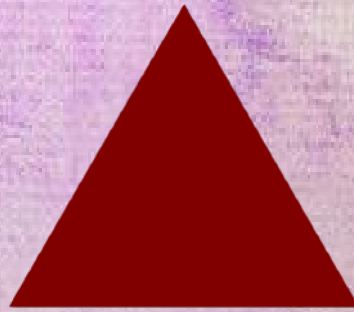












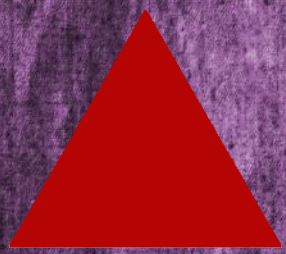
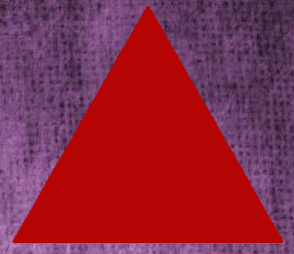














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