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Audra Scott – Vocalist

Ball Gene Simmons - DJ Smoove

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Celebrating **84** Years
THE FORT WORTH ASSEMBLY

CONGRATULATIONS ON CELEBRATING
84 YEARS OF
ENCOURAGING AND UPLIFTING
AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN

We welcome Interest and Inquiries

www.thefortworthassembly.org

Disclaimer: The Assembly's historical records through the years has some missing information. We are attempting to complete the 84 years of The Assembly legacy. If there are omissions or errors, please contact us with any additional information. Our goal is to have accurate information to be passed on to the generations to come.

We welcome Fort Worth Assembly programs, pictures, written stories and memorabilia to archive and preserve the legacy for the future.

THE FORT WORTH ASSEMBLY 84TH LEGACY DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION BALL



• SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2025 •
HURST CONFERENCE CENTER •
1601 CAMPUS DRIVE | HURST, TEXAS
7:00 PM • MIDNIGHT

THE FORT WORTH ASSEMBLY HISTORY



On January 9, 1941, Mrs. Lottie Mae Hamilton along with a group of Fort Worth ladies met to begin the process of shaping the foundation and focusing on the organization's purpose. The organization's founders intended to lift the moral standards of Fort Worth girls by presenting young college women as the epitome of womanhood to Fort Worth and to the world.

Bold and visionary, the charter membership was comprised of fifty-five professional African American women who were actively involved in the Fort

Worth civic community.

The official motto adopted in 1941 was "Not For Ourselves, But For Others."

The charter group official colors adopted were pea green and coral.

The first officers were: Mrs. Lottie M. Hamilton, president; Mrs. Leoma Prince, secretary; Mrs. Beulah Yerwood, vice-president; Mrs. Ruby Jeffery, corresponding secretary; Dr. Ophelia Rhodes, treasurer, and Mrs. Ruth S. Sanders, publicity director.

The group's first Debutante Ball occurred in Fort Worth on November 28, 1941 when twenty-two college-aged women were presented at the Pioneer Palace.

During the period of time from 1942 to 1945, debutante presentations were cancelled due to World War II. On December 26, 1946, the Debutante Ball was resumed following the end of World War II. Twenty-two college-aged women were presented at the North Side Coliseum. Later balls were held at Lake Worth Ballroom, Guys and Dolls Ballroom, The Texas Hotel Grand Ballroom, Hyatt Regency Hotel Grand Ballroom, Will Rogers Coliseum-The Round-Up Inn, Fort Worth Convention Center, Omni Hotel, Worthington Renaissance Hotel and Hurst Conference Center.

Following Mrs. Hamilton's example of dynamic leadership and civic involvement, the Fort Worth Assembly has only been under the helm of the following ten presidents: Mrs. Beulah Yerwood, Mrs. Kathryn Glaze, Mrs. Mildred Scott, Mrs. Sophia Thomas, Mrs. Thelma Pennigar, Mrs. Hester McDaniel, Mrs. Mildred Sims, Mrs. Bonnie Winkfield, Mrs. Charlece Thomas James and the current president, Ms. Angela P. Bell.

This iconic tradition has continued for eight decades. Tonight, we are pleased to celebrate the 84th legacy year of The Fort Worth Assembly!

LES PETITS CYGNES (LITTLE SWANS)

The little swans (Petits Cygnes) are young girls between the ages of 6-17 years of age. This is an outreach initiative of The Fort Worth Assembly.

The purpose is to provide young girls with critical social skills that will help them experience greater confidence and ease in life!

They participate in a series of social, cultural and service projects.

We are passionate about sharing the attributes of finer womanhood with young girls.



Junior Debs



Cygnes Pearls



Little Swans

THE FORT WORTH ASSEMBLY 2025 OFFICERS

President.....	Andrea Harper
1st Vice President.....	Shawnette Gilliam Dean of Debs
2nd Vice President	Angela Bell Ball Chairperson
3rd Vice President	Chrissi Clopton Presentation Coordinator
Financial Secretary.....	Evette Brazzile
Treasurer	Karen Wiggins
Chaplain	Andrea White
Historian.....	Patricia Clark
Corresponding Secretary.....	Joycelyn Perry
Recording Secretary.....	Sakeena Adams
Dean of Swans	Shabra Watkins
Swans Coordinator.....	Katrina Carter
Public Relations Coordinator	Gennie Winston
Parliamentarian	Michelle Brown
Immediate Past President.....	Angela Bell
Past President.....	Charlece Thomas James
President Emeritus	Bonnie Winkfield

The Fort Worth Assembly 2025 Members

Melvina King Barnett	Marnese Elder	Cheryl Scott Lewis
Aisha Barron	Takiyah Evans	Delta Sipho Lewis
Freda Breed	Yolanda Hawkins	Sherry Starr
Christina Brown	Linda Hollie	Allegra Sturns
Barbara Cabbil	Mary King Hollis	Myiesha Taylor, MD
Barbara Cager	Jacqueline T Horne	Stacey Whatley
Donna Capps	Michelle Jefferson	Denise Whitfield
Michelle Crayton	Uneca Johnson	Gail Williams
Deborah Cuffee	ShelVonna Jerry	Kelli Shelton
Vinita Develrow	Corey McKizzie	Nelda Harris
Sharon Downs	Simone Scott	

THE PRESIDENT'S GREETINGS

Season's Greetings!



On behalf of The Fort Worth Assembly, welcome to the 84th Legacy Debutante Presentation Ball. This evening is a celebration and revered tradition of elegance and achievement. It is a moment where history and hope meet in the most magnificent way.

This year holds special meaning for me, as it marks my first year serving as President of this esteemed organization. It is truly an honor to lead and uphold a tradition that reflects the dignity and brilliance of our heritage. I am humbled to stand among so many who share a commitment to excellence and the empowerment of young women.

Since January 9, 1941 The Fort Worth Assembly has taken great honor in the presentation of African-American debutantes serving as a profound affirmation of culture, heritage, and excellence. Each young lady presented tonight represents the strength of generations before her and the brilliance of those yet to come. Their accomplishments in academics, leadership, and service reflect their commitment to attaining their goals and making a meaningful impact within their communities. As these eight debutantes step into society with confidence and poise, they carry forward a tradition that speaks to resilience, dignity, and aspiration.

To the parents, grandparents, and families we extend our deepest appreciation. Your support, guidance, and love have shaped these young women into the remarkable individuals they have become. Tonight, is as much a celebration of your devotion as it is of their achievements.

Warm regards to our members and executive officers for sharing your time, talents, and expertise throughout the year. Your encouragement, diligent efforts, and love ensures The Fort Worth Assembly Debutante Presentation Ball remains a shining example of excellence.

Thank you all for gracing us with your presence on this joyous occasion and continued support. Your attendance tonight reflects the collective pride we share in presenting these exceptional young women.

May the beauty and grandeur of "A Royal Christmas: An Evening of Majesty and Splendor," fill your heart with hope for the future and your holiday with peace, love, and happiness to carry into the New Year!

Cordially,
Andrea N. Harper
President

PROGRAMME

*A Royal Christmas:
An Evening of Majesty and Splendor*

**84 Years Celebrating:
Legacy, Culture, Elegance and Achievement**

Welcome **Maiya Hollie**
Co-Mistress of Ceremonies

Grand Introduction of The Fort Worth Assembly Members

President’s Greetings **Andrea Harper**
84th Year President

Special Recognitions
The Ambassadors of Fort Worth, Inc - Debutantes 2025

Les Petits Cygnes

2025 DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION

Co-Mistress of Ceremonies..... **Kenya Crawford**

Presentation of Debutantes
Debutante Cotillion Dance.....Debutantes and Escorts
Debutante Sweetheart Dance Debutantes and Dates

Debutante Legacy Salute and Toast **Shawnette Gilliam**
1st Vice President and Dean of Debs

Dinner

Dancing until Midnight to the music of Gene Simmons – DeeJay Smoove

**84TH LEGACY PRESENTATION BALL
DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION AND BALL COMMITTEES**

Angela Bell – Ball Chairperson

Gennie Winston, Shawnette Gilliam, Katrina Carter, Nelda Harris, Chrissi Clopton, Barbara Cabbil, Melvina King Barnett, Mary Hollis, Evette Brazille, Karen Wiggins, Kelli Shelton, Andrea Harper, Takiyah Evans, ShelVonna Jerry, Patricia Clark, Angela Bell, Charlece T. James, Simone Scott and Michelle Brown

Debutantes

Shawnette Gilliam and Chrissi Clopton - Deans

Patricia Clark, Evette Brazzile, Charlece Thomas James, Shabra Watkins, Karen Wiggins, Angela Bell, Chrissi Clopton, Bonnie Winkfield, Gennie Winston, Nelda Harris, Uneca Johnson, Sharon Downs, Denise Whitfield, Andrea White, Simone Scott, Cheryl Scott Lewis, Katrina Carter, Linda Hollie, Michelle Crayton, Vinita Develrow, Shelvonna Jerry and Andrea Harper

Les Petits Cygnes

Katrina Carter- Coordinator and Shabra Watkins - Dean

Shabra Watkins, Gennie Winston, Charlece T. James, Barbara Cabbil, Pat Clark, Andrea Harper, Kelli Shelton, Angela Bell, Donna Capps, Vinita Develrow, Jacqueline T. Horne, Chrissi Clopton, Nelda Harris, Shawnette Gilliam, Freda Breed, Christina Brown, Aisha Barron, Sherry Starr, Sharon Downs, Evette Brazzile, Karen Wiggins, Andrea White, Takiyah Evans and Cheryl Scott Lewis

Ball Hostesses

Vinita Develrow, Sakeena Adams, Myiesha Taylor, Linda Hollie, Barbara Cabbil, Chrissi Clopton, Jacqueline T. Horne, Melvina King Barnett, Allegra Sturns, Takiyah Evans, Simone Scott, Yolanda Hawkins, Delltra Sipho Lewis, Freda Breed, Joycelyn Perry, Andrea White, Michelle Jefferson, Michelle Crayton, Aisha Barron, Corey McKizzie, Sherry Starr, Denise Whitfield, Donna Capps, Barbara Cager, Gail Williams, Mary King Hollis, Christina Brown, Uneca Johnson, Deborah Cuffee and Stacey Whatley

**Legacy Deb Alumni Reunion
Sakeena Adams – Chairperson**

Linda Hollie, Charlece T. James, Barbara Cabbil, Karen Wiggins, Katrina Carter, Freda Breed, Shawnette Gilliam, Andrea Harper, Myiesha Taylor, Nelda Harris, Angela Bell and Sharon Downs

**History Exhibit
Gennie Winston, Chairperson**

Cheryl Scott Lewis, Andrea White, Patricia Clark, Shawnette Gilliam, Sharon Downs, Uneca Johnson, Simone Scott, Michelle Brown, Andrea Harper and Katrina Carte

Legacy Ball Assistants

Rheaven Carter, Rhian Carter, Naiya Douglas Castillo, Tatum Evans, Liv Ferguson, Psalm Gunter, Lauryn Harper, Melanie Hollis, Haley Taylor Schlitz, Reagan Riggins, Dekhota Sipho, Nivea Jerry and Tatum Texada

**THE FORT WORTH ASSEMBLY
OFFICERS & MEMBERS**



Top L-R: Myiesha Taylor, Sharon Downs, Takiyah Evans, Corey McKizzie, Jocelyn Perry, Sherry Starr, Barbara Cager

3rd Row L-R: Cheryl Scott Lewis, Nelda Harris, Michelle Jefferson, Delltra Siphon Lewis, Linda Hollie, Deborah Cuffee, Vinita Develrow

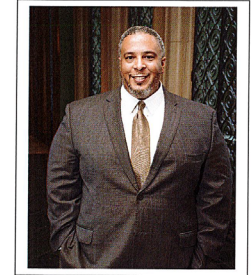
2nd Row L-R: Evette Brazzile, Freda Breed, Gail Williams, Simone Scott, Denise Whitfield, Aisha Barron, Sakeena Adams, Yolanda Hawkins, Pat Clark, Stacey Whatley

1st Row: L-R: Angela Bell, Andrea Harper, Gennie Winston, Bonnie Winkfield, Charlece T James, Shabra Watkins, Chrissie Clopton, Katrina Carter, Shawnette Gilliam, Michelle Brown

Not pictured: Donna Caps, Barbara Cabbil, Michelle Crayton, Mary King Hollis, ShelVonna Jerry, Jacqueline Horne, Uneca Johnson, Allegra Sturns, Andrea White, Kelli Shelton, Christina Brown, Marnese Elder, Jacqueline Horne and Karen Wiggins



Roderick Miles, Jr.
Tarrant County Commissioner
Precinct 1



*Congratulations
Fort Worth Assembly
84th Anniversary Celebration*

As Commissioner of Tarrant County Precinct One, it is my honor and privilege to join you as you celebrate the Fort Worth Assembly's 84th Anniversary.

For more than eight decades, the Fort Worth Assembly has played a meaningful and enduring role in uplifting our community. Your commitment to service, fellowship, and civic engagement has helped strengthen Tarrant County's sense of unity and tradition. This anniversary is not only a celebration of your history, but also a testament to the countless individuals whose dedication has shaped the Assembly's legacy. As you commemorate this milestone, may you continue to build on your distinguished heritage and inspire future generations to lead and serve with excellence.

I am proud to support the Fort Worth Assembly and the traditional ceremony of the Debutante Ball. This year's theme is "A Royal Christmas: An Evening of Majesty and Splendor." I am extremely proud of the 2025 Assembly Debutantes and grateful to be involved in such a great landmark occasion.

Best wishes for a very enjoyable and successful ceremony.

Sincerely,

Roderick Miles, Jr.

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MAIYA HOLLIE
CO-MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES



Maiya Hollie was born and raised in the Fort Worth community, grounded by strong family ties and a pressing desire to honor the legacy that has shaped her life's journey.

With more than a decade of experience in marketing communications and public relations, Maiya is a seasoned professional with deep roots in the Dallas/Fort Worth market. She specializes in developing strategic, high-impact brand visibility campaigns that connect audiences, elevate talent, and drive meaningful engagement throughout diverse communities. Her professional resume lists some of the top organizations in the country and she can tell you stories from being a celebrity publicist, to working for a helicopter company to serving in city government. Currently, she leads the community engagement and events team for DFW International Airport.

Maiya holds a degree in psychology from Spelman College and loves to champion education and charitable initiatives that support historical black colleges and universities. She also works to highlight

black-owned businesses and brands who seek to make a positive cultural impact. She hardly ever misses a chance to represent her beloved sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. joining the sisterhood in social justice work and community impact projects.

Shining a light on talented voices and notable productions is what Maiya was made to do. Communicating information to the world in a responsible, creative, and effective way isn't just her expertise; it's Maiya's passion. And yet, if you ask her what her greatest accomplishment is today, Maiya will beam with pride and look to her daughter Psalm Amani Nicole, a third-year college student at Howard University, who is the center of her universe.

Maiya and her family share a proud Fort Worth Assembly legacy of members and debutantes spanning from 1941 to the present. Maiya was a member of the Debutante Class of 1999, and two decades later her daughter, Psalm, followed in her footsteps as part of the 2023 Debutante Class.

She is excited to share Mistress of Ceremonies duties with her sister, Kenya Crawford, as their family's Fort Worth Assembly legacy proudly continues across generations.

Original Poem
We Are The Future
Les Petits Cygnes

We are The future generation
We hold our heads up high
We stand up for our rights, knowing that weakness is defeat
We dream of the impossible,
knowing that every ladder can be climbed
We yearn for tomorrow.

We are the definitive proof of today

It is not what others can do for us that holds our destiny,
It is what we can do for ourselves.

As we build our legacy of service,
we embrace all the tomorrows that will come.
We will continue to move forward - not looking back
But only looking ahead.

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of dreams
and all that is included in making the dreams come true.

Abraham Lincoln once said that,
“The best way to predict the future is to create it.”

We are preparing ourselves to make this goal a reality.
During this the year of our legacy we will continue
to dream...to uplift...to work hard...to soar...

We can and will make a difference.

WE ARE THE FUTURE!

Written and Dedicated to Les Petits Cygnes
10th Anniversary
Dr. Jennifer Giddings Brooks
December 16, 2023

2016

Abiola Agoro*
Tatum Texada
Whitley Whitaker
Adrienne Wilson
Aria McGrew

Reagan Michon Riggins
Payton Brooke Roberts
Kennedy Zade Russell*
Nicolette Joann Sims

Cynthia Rogers
Jacqueline Simmons
Adrian Thompson
Felica Townsend
Elizabeth Watkins
Katrina Wesley
Karen Wortham

2017

Jada Renae Hawkins
Camisha Le'Ann Johnson*
Calea Daneen Knox
Kaana Lyne' Tucker
Jaisha LaShay Washington

2023

Psalm Amani Nicole
Gunter*
Kelsey Lawson
Alana Elizabeth Smith
Janiah Lavonne Washington

2018

Maxine Kaitlyn Carter *
Lauryn Maikhal Nicole
Harper
Chaunee Monae Rhodes

2024

Savanah Rose Antwine
Kennedy L. Carter
Rheaven Nicole Carter
Rhian Elise Carter
Naiya Gabrielle Douglas
Castillo*
Tatum Olivia Evans
Nivea J'chelle Jerry
Morgan Tenaya Nealy
Dekhota Rai Sipho
Nicole Orlexi Thomas

2019

Haley Taylor Schlitz*
Tiffany Monet Texada
Jordan Cherie Washington
Kailyn Jonae Williams

1980

Lydia Barron
Valerie Breed
Rosanna Briscoe
Linda Burns
Regina Burrell
Mia Cooper
Valerie Cooper
Kim Dunlavy
Mala Henderson
Carretta Holliday
Felecia Jackson
Karen Kennard
Sherri Lemons
Karen Mitchell
Vicki Moore
Karen Montgomery
Sandra Petty

2021

Alyssa Marie Carole
Campbell
Egypt Alexandria Davis
Kendall Elise Fields
Melanie Camilla Hollis*
Madison Alysse Maddox
Rylan Bre'a Rogers
Kennedi Marie Searl
Myah Renee Young

2022

Lauren Ilisabeth Antwine
Liv Ashlyn Ferguson
Tamia Bentia Johnson
Kennedy Lauren King

The Founders Award has been established to celebrate the beginning of The Fort Worth Assembly. This award is embracing the leadership and vision of Mrs. Lottie Hamilton and the 50 members, as well as Mrs. Marie Brooks and the 1st Deb Class.

This award is bestowed on one of the debutantes in the deb class. Leadership, compassion, and general teamwork within the debutantes is the criteria. The debutantes vote among themselves for the person they felt embodied these attributes in their deb legacy class.

KENYA D. CRAWFORD
CO-MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES



Kenya Dyan Miller Crawford is the inspirational lead vocalist of the city's hottest live band Kenya C's Musical Anatomy (formerly known as AHYONZ featuring Kenya C.).

A popular and unique voice on the DFW music scene, Kenya is a trained vocalist with incredible stage presence. Kenya has been performing since the age of 6 years old and has recorded background vocals for local and national artists.

After her 1997 collegiate graduation from Dillard University, Kenya's professional radio career began when she worked as a Program Director/Public Service Director for one of the local gospel radio stations, KGGR 1040 AM. .

Kenya is the mother of three beautiful children Stacy A. Dunlop II, Malachi Oscar Lee Crawford, and current Little Swan Ma'Laiya Dyane Lei Crawford.

In addition to entertaining live music lovers, Kenya enjoys hosting parties and developing several business ventures including her commercial and residential cleaning service Apple Pie Clean. She currently leads The Gatelifters Praise Team at First St. John Baptist Church in Fort Worth, TX where the late Bishop Kenneth B. Spears was the presiding pastor.

As an independent recording artist since 2009, Kenya and her band have made appearances in venues all over the DFW Metroplex and shared the stage with Maze featuring Frankie Beverly, Rachele Ferrell, Will Downing, Maysa, Urban Mystic, and many more national and international artists. With performances connecting coast to coast, Kenya has transitioned into one of the top R&B, Neo-Soul, Funk, and Jazz vocalists in the metroplex. Kenya C.'s Musical Anatomy will be featured at the 2026 Fort Worth Main Street Arts Festival for a third year. . Kenya and her family share a rich and enduring legacy as Debutantes and dedicated members of the Fort Worth Assembly. Thirty-two years ago, in 1993, Kenya was proudly presented alongside 11 young ladies as a Fort Worth Assembly Debutante.

Kenya is delighted to return in a special role, serving as Co-Mistress of Ceremonies with her sister, Maiya Hollie. This historic moment marks the first time two sisters have shared the podium as Mistresses of Ceremonies, a true testament to the strength of family tradition.

MISS AVA SIMONE HORTON



Miss Ava Simone Horton is the daughter of Dr. Carl and Mrs. Quesha Horton of Arlington, Texas.

Simone attends North Carolina A&T State University in Greensboro, North Carolina. She is a sophomore majoring in biological engineering and a part of the university's Honors College.

With aspirations of becoming a licensed professional engineer, her career goal is to focus on making renewable energy sources more affordable, improving water conservation in agricultural practices and creating sustainable solutions for energy problems.

She is an outstanding student at North Carolina A&T, and her academic excellence is evidenced in her selection as a 2024 FOSSI STEM scholar. This organization is sponsored by chemical manufacturers and related industries who support students attending HBCU institutions. Simone was also initiated into Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society and culminated her freshman year with both semesters on the Chancellor's List that reflected a 3.95 GPA.

On the North Carolina A&T campus she is very active in several student organizations namely the American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers (ASABE) and serves as Campus Relations Chairperson. As a member of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) she has participated in numerous community clean-ups, MLK Day of Service and mentorships at local elementary schools.

Simone graduated Magna Cum Laude in 2024 from James Martin High School in Arlington, Texas as a member of the National Honor Society. She was ranked number 84 out of eight hundred and ninety-five students. In 2023 the College Board named her an African American Youth Scholar she was also honored by Arlington ISD as an inductee into the Student Hall of Fame.

While at Martin High School, she served as chairperson for the Black Student Union's Black Monologue Competition from 2021-2024. This event was extremely successful and generated sufficient donations that were dispersed amongst the contestants. She was a four-year member of the Martin High School Band as an alto/tenor saxophonist and was named section leader and woodwind co-captain. In 2022 she was named Outstanding Musician - Wood Symphony. Simone also reached out to her community at-large as a camp counselor for Tarrant Regional Water District (TRWD) and as a clothing distribution volunteer for Mission Arlington.

She enjoys traveling, reading and is drawn to all things in nature including gardening and nature walks.

This stunning off-the-shoulder satin ball gown from David's Bridal is the epitome elegance and romance. The satin fabric drapes gracefully, creating a flattering silhouette that accentuates the waist and flares out into a voluminous skirt. To complete the look this gown comes with a detachable satin belt that cinches the waist, adding a touch of sparkle that defines the debutante's figure.

Simone attends Cornerstone Baptist Church in Arlington, Texas where she was an active participant in the Daughters of Deborah ministry.

Escorting Simone tonight is her father, Dr. Carl Horton. Her date is Mr. Ian Taylor-Schlitz, a PhD. candidate at the University of North Texas in the area of Student Learning Technologies. He is the son of Dr. Myiesha Taylor and Mr. William Schlitz of Keller, Texas.

She has chosen as her debut song, "One Summer Day" by Joe Hisaishi.

Simone is co-sponsored by The Fort Worth Assembly's treasurer, Ms. Karen Wiggins and member, Mrs. Denise Whitfield..

2002

Ashley Ryan Harrell
Codie Elaine Brooks
Lauren Michelle Hubbard
Lesley Renee Bonner
Melva Tyriss - Rene' Johnson
Stephanie Anne Stell
Vanessa Kimberlee Spring

2003

Kimberly Waiters
Betsey G. M. Morrison
Stephanie Nicole Jackson
Neeley Jonea Jackson-Miles

2004

Christina Darcel Wesley
Krysti Dyanna Young
Teresa Rochelle Bowie

2005

Brittany Nikole Gilbert
DeUnka Charde' Jones
Gelina DeShaun Batts
Stephanie De'Anne Taylor

2006

Britanny Smith
Ceellu Williams
Deyonna Scott
Sheena M Winkfield
Te'Andrea Campbell

2007

Allegra Joy've Strurns
Emalee Michelle Harmon
Erica Dorcel Henderson
Haliagh Chanel Franklin
Leigh Ann Dansby
Christa Rosanne Bowie

2008

Anneese Abrin Armstrong
Brynae LaTice Love
Ashley JoAnne Porter Morgan
Patrina Danielle Rogers
Carryn Renee Walker

2009

Ashley Victoria Baker
Mauricia Corine Barnett
Kayla Holland
Lyndsay Erin Maclin
Alexandria Nicole Wilson

2010

Keiambria Banks
Aleecia England
Tiffany Murray
Jordan Stinnett
Veronica Williams

2011

Elizabeth McKaye Anderson
Erica Denae England
Rachel Renee Hornbuckle*
Takoyia Janai Johnson
Monique Arielle Owens
Danielle Antoinette Simmons
Christina Denise Whitfield

2012

Payton Roneale Anderson*
Angela Antwanette Evans
Amber Denesha McCray
Allison Danielle Stinnett

2013

Khanay Yvette Turner
Taylor Simone Haley

2014

Kristen Breana Brown
Jacoya Meshay Davis
Williecia Johnise Elkie Brewer Greene
Jenitza Beth Pierce
Britt Marie Spears*

2015 Legacy Honorees

Eddy Vivian Pierce Berry - 1966
Melanie Bivens - 1994
Alyce Holiday Jones - 1972
Crystal Pinkston - 1997
Maria Teresa Jackson - 1982
Ardenia Johnson Gould - 1992
Tiffany Pace Whitaker - 1997

1994

Andrea Nicole Curley
Angela Denise Norvel
Audra Yvette Curry
DaJuana Nichole Miller
Kimberly Deann Turner
Melanie Cherice Bivens
Meradith Annice Marsh
Shannon Renee Gilliam
Thelma Ardenia Johnson
Tiffany Chemille Pace
Tracie Lynette Rhodes
Vandria Alicia Kendall

1995

Aleah Angel Miles
Amber Odonne James
Brandi Lynette Tutt Greene
Burshanna Shanette Hill
Channing Octavia Margrette Godfrey
Peoples
Charletta Trynetta Middleton
Colette Adams
Danielle Brooke Kahn
Kimberly Ann Madison
Marsha Danielle Dansby
Shamarah Shaynee' Batts
Sharmia Nyree McCloud
Tomina Shane' Wheat

1996

Alana Danielle Strain
Denise Nicole Smith
Kenya Nichole Scott Allen
Marisa Nia Madison
Monica Celeste Mitcherson
Stephanie Yvonne Maddox-Tisdale
Taylore Shironn Scott
Tiffany Tenille Sharp

1997

Brandi Carol Barrett
Chloe Michael Robinson
Christina Elizabeth Castleberry
Crystal Leigh Pinkston
Jennifer Ikeena Thompson
Joicelyn Antoinette Fields
La Treshia Voneille Nolden
Leigh Higginbotham Brooks
Royce Gigi Brooks
Sha Don Miller

Sukai Bianne Foster
Vivian Celeste Wrenn

1998

Angele' Jeanette Arthur
Ayanna Kalisha Sterling
Corie Lynette Miller
Dannell Rashun Cager
Emeka Yvonne Davis
Erica Nicole McQueen
Katrina Doris Jefferson
LaTisha Lynette Hawkins
Shellsia Vee Friend
Tanya Michelle Johnson

1999

Eboni Lynn Franklin
Erica L. Richards
Erica Nicole Robinson
Maiya Nicole Hollie
Melanie Nicole Harris
Toni Elayne Roberson
Whitney Alexandria Peoples

2000

Amber L. Brewer Green
Amy Roslynn Oringi
April Kristine Clark
Crystal Roxana Arthur
Jessica Nicole Reynolds
Lady LaNorris Overshown
Tamara Charmaine Taylor
Tya Michelle Arthur

2001

Bianca Nicole McCloud
Candace Marie Douglas Barriteau Phaire
Felicia Brandy Knox
Gennith Minet Johnson
Kai'Rodsha Rulai' Glover
Kandace Eugenia Johnson
Krystal Dionne Johnson
Leah Lynnell Lee
Licretia Janine Sibley
Lynda Kaye Cook
Robyn Le'Ann Cuffee
Sharonda Jeanette Jordan
Stacy Monique Taylor

SAVANNAH LYNN PARKER



Miss Savannah Lynn Parker is the daughter of Mr. Eric Parker of Hillsboro, Texas and Ms. Khesslyn Parker of Fort Worth, Texas.

At the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas, Savannah is a sophomore pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in Sports Management Entertainment. She has a passion for both elegance and health. Her primary goal after graduation is to secure a career with an interest in overseeing professional team operations. Savannah is committed to using her education to inspire others to live healthier, more active lives.

On the University of North Texas campus, Savannah has received honors and awards for the Dean's List, Excellence Scholar -Eagle Award, Emerald Eagle Award, and Emerald Eagle Scholar Program. Savannah's extracurricular activities include her performing as a member of the dance team as well as church involvement and midweek services. During the 2025 UNT homecoming activities, Savannah was the recipient of Delta Kappa Omega Scholarship from Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc.

Savannah recognizes the benefits of community and social action involvements which ignited her participation with NAACP, Black Student Union, and Social Media content influencer. She has provided volunteer services for three years with the Fort Worth Association of Federated Women's Club; including prom dress give away. In addition, she has worked for

the City of Fort Worth as a youth Camp Leader for three years during the summer months.

She has demonstrated a passion for community service which led her to volunteer at the Tarrant Area Food Bank, Potter's House of Fort Worth, and International Leadership of Texas Arlington - Grand Prairie High School special projects with over five hundred hours of community service.

She earned multiple academic honors throughout high school and college. Savannah is a 2024 graduate of the IL Texas AGPHS. She earned National Honor Society membership (2023-2024), Leadership recognition, and

Highest Honors in high school. While at ILT, Savannah was a member of the State Track team, Impulse Dance company, Majorette Dance team, and baseball manager,

As a life-long member of the Potter's House in Fort Worth, Texas, she participates in the Dance Ministry, Senior Correspondent, Fire Culture, Tarrant County Sheriff's Partnership, Back to School and Turkey give away. Driven by a powerful sense of purpose and a commitment to improving the lives of others, Savannah is excited to combine her love for movement with sports management entertainment in the years ahead.

Savannah chose a satin gown crafted with an A-line silhouette. The dress has a soft flowing skirt that exudes elegance and sophistication. The bodice highlights a flattering off the shoulder neckline. This dazzling dress has a corset back design with a drawstring closure.

She is escorted by her father, Mr. Eric Parker. Her date for this evening is Eric Kelly. He is the son of Eric and Latoya Kelly of Dallas, Texas. Eric is a sophomore kinesiology major at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas.

As her debut song, she has chosen, "Can I Call You Rose" by Three Sacred Souls.

She is sponsored by The Fort Worth Assembly Chaplain, Mrs. Andrea White and First Vice-President, Mrs. Shawnette Gilliam.

MISS LAUREN MICHELLE PERSON



Miss Lauren Michelle Person is the daughter of Marc Anthony and LeAnn Sims-Person of Fort Worth, Texas.

She is a sophomore at Texas Christian University (TCU), where she is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education. Lauren's passion for nurturing young minds fuels her aspiration to become a public-school educator.

At TCU, Lauren has demonstrated academic excellence, earning a spot on the Chancellor's List for maintaining a 4.0 GPA during her freshman year, and on the Dean's List. She has shown leadership as Secretary of the Freshman Executive Board for the Black Student Association and currently serves as Parliamentarian, representing TCU on the Big 12 Black Student Advisory Council to enhance the experiences and success of students of color across the conference.

Lauren is a proud member of the Iota Eta Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, which she joined in November 2025, continuing a cherished family tradition of sisterhood and service. Her mother, cousin Evette Brazzile, and grandmother, the late Mildred Martin Sims, were all members, underscoring the significance of this legacy.

A graduate of the STEM Academy at James W. Martin High School in Arlington, Texas, Lauren was a dedicated scholar and leader. She served as a news anchor for Martin

Student News, was a member of the National Honor Society, and volunteered over 60 hours during her senior year. Lauren also studied American Sign Language throughout high school, inspired by a passion for supporting the hearing-impaired community.

Lauren's academic accomplishments include being accepted to more than twenty colleges and universities, along with receiving over one million dollars in scholarships. She was selected as one of 350 students nationwide for the prestigious Bank of America Student Leaders Program, where she interned at Hope Farm, a nonprofit dedicated to mentoring young boys, and continues to serve as an after-school counselor.

Lauren participated in the 2023–2024 Delta Gems program, sponsored by the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and won the Miss Jabberwock Scholarship Competition, earning the title of Miss Jabberwock 2024. She was a founding member of Les Petits Cygnes (The Little Swans), where she remained active for three years.

Lauren's faith and service to her community are integral parts of her life. She serves at Freedom Church in Bedford, Texas, on the communications team and helps in the nursery.

The Maureen gown is a timeless satin ballgown with a strapless silhouette, featuring a ruched bodice that cinches the waist and flows into a voluminous pleated skirt

Lauren proudly continues her rich Fort Worth Assembly debutante legacy, which spans multiple generations. This legacy includes her mother, LeAnn Sims-Person (1990); grandmother, the late Mrs. Mildred Martin Sims (1966), a former President of the Assembly; her aunt, Shirley Jo Martin (1968); and cousins: Evette Kirkpatrick Brazzile (1971), Angela Bell (1985), Katrina Carter (1998), Joiceyn Fields (1997), Reagan Michon Riggins (2022), and Dekhota Rai Siphon (2024).

Lauren is escorted by her father, Mr. Marc Anthony Person, and her date is Joel De Leon, a sophomore at Texas State University majoring in Communication Design. Joel is the son of Jesse De Leon and Raquel Francene De Leon of Arlington, Texas.

Her debut song is the classic "My Cherie Amour" by Stevie Wonder. Lauren is sponsored by Financial Secretary, Evette Brazzile, and Treasurer, Karen Wiggins.

Chelsea Duan McIlveen
Arneita Elizabeth McKinney
Felecia Denise Ransom
Jackie Renee Rhodes
Laticia Tolanda Rodgers
Dione Michelle Roland
Stacy Renee Sillemo
Fayette Andria Smith
Sherrie Denise Strain

1988

Madalyn Nanette Batts
Shelly Lynn Buckley
Shawnette Marcelle Butler
Marva Danielle Butts
Charmayne Denise Evans
Yolanda Rachelle Farrow
Erica Lynne Horton
Mary Louise Lee
Kerri Deneen Marshall
Kenya Bene' Reynolds
Sonja Marie Savannah
Adina Ann Sneed
Robbie Suzette Sneed
Michelle Leona Stewart
Kenza Roeshun Wesley
Lisa Michelle White
Kimberly Joy Wilkinson

1989

Courtney Dee Adkins
Lisa Michelle Berry
Amber Denise Chase
Tania Renee' Evans
LaTanya Marchelle Gordon
Rachel Lashaun Gray
Mikita Yvette Harris
Traci Lynne Hodges
Christina Marie Irving
Tiffany Eloise Johnson
Charlsa Michelle Kneeland
Tonya Janice Lester
Courtney Nickol Moss
Nedra Diane Nevels
Cynthia Vance
Monique Jamille Wayne

1990

Andrea Elisa Smith
Ava Michelle Robinson
Cynthia LaShun Vance
Erica Roy Finney

Kelli Dawnell Shelton
Kendall Talbert Ferguson
Kila Onecia Rodgers
La'Creshia Donyell Robinson
LeAnn Michelle Sims
Leslie Carol Buckley
Lucinda Amelia Holt
Natalie Genee Winston
Oacie Tonja McCoy
Patrice Polyxene Jean
Raynice Eveline Jean

1991

Gwendolyn Elizabeth Davis
Nicole Donyel Dunlavy
Phillipa Maria Evans
Reko Elon Gilbert
LaShanda Hodge
Courtney Jeanne Middlebrooks
Stephanie Renee Porter
Vanessa Ruffin
Tonia Renee Thomas
Kecia Michelle Watson

1992

Shandria Shervett Adkins
Valerie Denise Baston
Tiffany Nikole Brown
Christina Annette Briggs
Erin Kendra Kathleen Hicks
LaKeisha Mishai Jackson
Krystal LeVonne James
Katrina Ann Jewett
Jessica LeAnne McNeal
Michon Nicole Smith
Clereatha Carole Wilford

1993

Tari Monique Brasfield
Toi Minyett Brown
La'Tricia Cailii Chase
Tiffany Roshan Clark
Shamon Mashe Forbes
Sherri De'Andra Harris
Beth LaChelle Love
Breana Lynne Love
Kenya Dyan Miller
Bianca Michelle Smith
Grenalda Laviniah Spears
Marquel Alexandria Warren

1981

Wanda Collier
Lydia Barron
Melvina King

1982

Umeki Yvette Anthony
Dione Ann Bagsby
Tholma Elizabeth Bruton
Katrina Kay Clements
Mary Louise Evans
Carol Elaine Gassaway
Andrea Denise Hamilton
Karla Drucnette Hooks
Maria T Jackson
Renee R Jones
Tracy Lynette Kneeland
Janet Lynn Long
Kassandra Kay Lowe
Isoida May
Robin Elise Munson
Jan Michelle Murphy
D'Juana Yvonne Nelson
Sharilyn E'Vette Rambo
Chandra Elise Smith
Suzanne Anita Standifer
Selena M Stewart
Kim Darneice Wortham

1983

Cortena Izilia Arnold
Erica Amelia Baker
Judith Merdyce Bell
Jacquelyn Marie Bryant
Nanette La'Shon Burnett
Alyssa Marie Godsey
Janet L Hicks
Donna Bridgett Hill
Celia Darcel Holloway
Missy Rowena Johnson
Pamela Mc Donald
Kimberly Renee McKinney
Kimberly Montgomery
Wynita Aunglee Perry
Valencia Yvonne Reynolds
Anita Ruffin
Lora Ann Sims
Deborah Renea Smith
Tammy Strawther
Shawanna De'Lynne Winkfield

1984

Sondra Kay Barrett
Cheryl Beaty
Carmen Brown
Delisa Collins
Kyna Duncan
Dionne Floyd
Rhonda Franklin
Alisa Gary
Ennette Gilbert
Wealthia Harris
Monita Rose Johnson
Ozzie Rena M McCoy
Sharon Michelle Stone
Angela R Thomas
Joy Marie Thomas
Carla Patrice Williams
LaTonya Meshon Wilson

1985

Mishaun Amos
Dorothy C Anderson
Angela Ashford
Jocelyn Bell
Robyne Bell
Londa Jones
Rosa McClellan
Janet McKenzie
Cheryl Rogers
Shawn Silvan
Abbey Thornton
Carmen Washington
Zelia Wiley

1986

Lesia Crumpton
Lisa Marie Clay
Cynthia Ann Miles
Jeri DeLane Harris
Teresa Nealey
Jeri Normell Smith
Sherri Smith
Teri Smith
Tamara Sneed
LaVivian Taylor
Jeanette Williams

1987

Kathy Raylian Broadus
Tamera Elizabeth Carter
Kelley Elesa Eubanks
Adrian Rochelle Hawkins
Nicole Yvette Hogan

MISS JAECEY CHAVON RENFRO



Miss Jaecey Chavon Renfro is the daughter of the late Mr. J.C. Renfro and the late Ms. Jonita Develrow of Fort Worth, Texas.

Jaecey is a sophomore at Prairie View A&M University in Prairie View, Texas where she is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. Her dedication to academic success earned her a place on the Fall 2024 Honor Roll. Inspired by a deep passion for serving others through healthcare, she plans to become a registered nurse upon graduation. Her long-term goal is to return to school to become a nurse practitioner, with a mission to open free community health clinics across Fort Worth and eventually the United States. Her vision is centered on providing equitable, compassionate care to underserved populations and creating mentorship opportunities for young students of color interested in the medical field.

Jaecey is a member of The National Society of Black Women in Medicine, where she contributes to advocacy and support for Black women pursuing careers in healthcare. She also takes part in volunteer service both on and off campus, often helping with health-focused events and outreach initiatives that impact surrounding communities.

A 2024 graduate of Martin High School, Jaecey was a student athletic trainer for three years, gaining valuable hands-on experience. She was also actively involved in AVID, the Black Student Union, and the Blood Drive Team.

By the end of her senior year, she earned her phlebotomy license and was honored with the prestigious Principal's Award for academic achievement and leadership. In addition, she served with the Arlington ISD Dan Dipert Career and Technical Center Food Bank Group, where she helped provide essential resources to families in need.

Miss Renfro is deeply connected to the Fort Worth community. She was a member of Les Petits Cygnes Junior Debutantes for ten years, developing leadership, grace, and a spirit of service.

Jaecey is deeply emersed in her faith and regularly attends Maranatha Baptist Fellowship in Fort Worth, Texas. She is a member of Drama Ministry and loves participating in the annual holiday plays.

This amazing ballroom gown is designed to be eye-catching with its plunging sweetheart neckline paired with the off the shoulder sleeves. The bodice is adorned with pearls, sequins and floral appliques that descends into a flattering basque waistline that accentuates the full skirt.

Jaecey shares this enchanting evening of Fort Worth Assembly history and tradition with six cousins: Mrs. Ella Maye Jackson-Colley-1953, Mrs. Phyllis Elaine Jackson-Silverman-1960, Mrs. Arthurlene Lee-Jackson-1961, Mrs. Vicki Lynn Moore-Weldon-1980, Judge Maria Teresa Jackson- 1982 and Mrs. Stacy Renee Sillerman-Roberson-1987.

She is being escorted by her grandfather, Mr. Phillip Trotter, Sr. Her date for the evening is Myles Edwards, a senior at Prairie View A&M University majoring in public health. He is the son of Tracy and Sherizanne Edwards of Fort Worth, Texas.

Jaecey will make her debut to the empowering anthem "Rise Up" by Andra Day.

She is proudly sponsored by her grandmother, Vinita Develrow, a member of The Fort Worth Assembly.

MISS KAELYN SHORTER ROSS



Miss Kaelyn Shorter Ross is the daughter of Ms. Tonicie Ross of Arlington, Texas and the late, Mr. LaMarcus Keith Ross. At Tarrant County College in Fort Worth, Texas, Kaelyn is a freshman pursuing a major in theatre and dance. Upon graduation she plans to become a dance instructor and own her own studio. Kaelyn is excited to embark on this professional journey, to act in the theatre and potentially perform on Broadway. Her desire is to highlight her passion and skills which will elevate the world of theater and dance, one performance at a time.

As an avid advocate for creative expression, Kaelyn believes in the power of the arts to bring communities together and foster empathy.

Kaelyn is a 2025 distinguished graduate of Juan Seguin High School in Arlington, Texas with fine arts honor recognition. She also attended the Center for Visual Performing Arts outside of school activities and received honors. Kaelyn performed on the drill team for three years. In addition, she was a Senior Lieutenant for one year. As a dedicated drill team performer, she was known for her exceptional high kicks. As a result of her passion for performance and teamwork at her school and dance camps, she received an award as Best Lyrical. She was a member of the BSU Black Student Union and Environmental Club 2023-2025. She is a debutante with a deep love for the performing arts. The magic of theater and

dance has always fascinated Kaelyn. She is honing her craft as an actress, dancer, and storyteller, blending passion with precision to create unforgettable performances. With an eye for expression and a heart for the stage, Kaelyn aims to inspire, challenge, and captivate audiences through movement and dialogue.

As an avid advocate for creative expression, Kaelyn believes in the power of the arts to bring communities together and foster empathy. Whether in the studio or on stage, she strives to connect with others and convey emotions that transcend words, using both their body and voice as tools of expression.

Kaelyn is a life-long and active member of East Saint Paul Baptist Church of Fort Worth, Texas where she is a member of the Praise Dance Ministry, and as an accomplished dancer, she has been dancing since she was three years old. She highlights her skills while performing with the praise dance ministry.

Prior to Kaelyn's debut as a 2025 Debutante, she was a member of The Fort Worth Assembly Les Petits Cygnes for 10 years. The rich legacy has continued to cultivate young women with social and etiquette skills that enhance their grace and self-confidence.

Kaelyn has chosen a mesmerizing A-line, beaded satin gown. This dress features slender spaghetti straps and a plunging V-neckline for an elegant touch. This well-designed gown has a polished finish with a defined high waist and a lace up back.

She is escorted by her uncle, Mr. Boysie Jones. Her date for the evening is Kerrington Barnes. He is the son of Brandon Barnes of Fort Worth, Texas and Kari Lewis of Fort Worth, Texas. Kerrington is a freshman computer science major at Tarrant County College in Fort Worth, Texas.

As her debut song she has chosen, "Opportunity" by Sia Kurstin and Will Gluck.

She is sponsored by her aunt, Vinita Develrow, a Fort Worth Assembly member and Coordinator of Les Petits Cynes, Katrina Carter.

Eva Little
Ruby Mangrum
Audrea McMillian
Ruthie Robinson
Cynthia Sadler
Jo Ann Standifer
Angela Thomas
Yolanda White

1976

Brenda Aldridge
Lucette Anderson
Climonce Breed
Sandra Chatmon
Karen Cook
Karen Davis
Leisa Davis
Pier Glover
Lisa Houston
Jeanne James
Marcelyn Jones
Rinada Knowles
Twinelle Leonard
Debra Thomas
Sabrina Thornton
Reva Van Noy
Japathese Verge
Kathy Wells
Karen Wiggins

1977

Vernice Anderson
Mechelle Atkins
Michelle Banks
Vernetta Bates
Andrea Barron
Natalie Booker
Elkie Brewer
Enid Fontenot
Eva Greene
Andrea Greene
Tamara Garrot
Mary Hawkins
Rhonda Howard
Regina Ireland
Jana King
Dorris Lewis
Edith Mayfield
Karen Mayfield
Tonya Mayes
Shirley Medlock
Sherrelle Medlock

Anita Melton
Sonya Moore
Joycelyn Porter
Helen Robinson
Dionne Williams
Sonya Williams

1978

Glynis Adams
Angela Atkinson
Tanya Brown
Brenda Butler
Angela Dorsey
Wanda Ford
Anita Gillespie
Andrea Harris
Cheryl Ingram
Johnnie Ireland
Zena Jackson
Sharon James
Yvonne King
Tanya Lee
Karen Marshall
Choyce May
Deannie Mitchell
Willette Owens
Carla Peay
JoAnn Robinson
Paula Smith
Davette Thomas
Regina Verdun
Lisa Woods

1979

Barnedra Barrett
Dawn Brown
Crystal Chatman
Stacy Green
Vanessa Hennington
Cynthia Houston
Mary King
Elvia McBride
Clara Minneweather
Claire Munson
Bettina Parker
Gwen Riles
Paula Sturns
Fleeta Patrice Thomas

Rocelle Robinson
Mariette Spates
Regina Wade
Mattie Washington

1969

Dexter Ann Armstrong
Verdia E. Barnett
Angela Berry
Phyllis Birks
Ruth Campbell
Glenda Foreman
Cynthia Gant
Wannetta Glover
Wanda Joyce Harris
Kathy Hayes
Barbara Hicks
Cynthia Hicks
Adelen R James
Marcia D Moore
A'Nell Morton
Jo Ann Powell
Julia Rollins
Rosalind Ross
Dorothy Russell
Wanda Session
Rennea Sims

1970

Patricia Allen
Venetta Armstrong
Myra L Austin
Janice Baker
Linda Black
Carolyn Cumby
Amelia Elmore
Evalyn Joisbeal
Myrtle Fay Kelley
Sheryll McConico
Lady Becelada McCoy
Deitra McGregor
Pamela Robinson
Rita Ross
Vickie Sephas
Leona Silas
Sharon Smart
Gayle Walker
Belinda Wallace
Adrian Wells
Shelia Williams

1971

Vickie Baker
Marie Brooks
Denise Fields
Debra Freeman
Nadine Harris
Ester Hemphill
Valeria Hicks
Wanda Hill
Marie Holliday
Lillie Holman
Patricia Hunter
Marie Kendrick
Evette Kirkpatrick
Marzena Lewis
Debbie Reynolds
Sylvia Sadler
Linda Savannah
Pamela Savannah
Arnell Thomas
Adriene Tucker
Kathie Williams

1972

Jenifer Adams
Laura Alexander
Joyce Armstrong
Rhonda Baxter
Mary Blakemore
Ethel Bonner
Margaret Bonner
Daphne Brooks
Laura Freeman
Wanda Harden
Deborah Harris
Jimmie Jo Hicks
Meshelle Hill
Alyce Holiday
Robena Jackson
Sheilyn Johnson
Cynthia Kavanaugh
Sheryl Kendle
Patricia Mayfield
Aubrey Parker
Deborah Robinson
Nancy Robinson
Melba Williams

1973

Carrie Barron
Rhonda Carroll
Billie Chew

Deborah Collins
Sharon Conley
Annette Cooper
Lisa Crenshaw
Yolanda Flint
Tanya Fowler
Vickie Fuller
Vickie Hale
Vickie Harris
Margaret Jackson
June Kelly
Cynthia Lampkin
Gloria Lawsha
Michele McGregor
Linda Miller
Rebecca Minneweather
Deborah Robinson
Gwendolyn Russell
Karen Sanders
Zolita Smith
Beverly Terry
Iris Tolliver

1974

Shirley Adams
Freda Breed
Shonda Campbell
Yvette Clark
Cheryl Greene
Rosalind Grigsby
Pamela Harris
Marsha Henderson
Harrilyn Hill
Luwilda Morrison
Ruby Owens
Vonell Collins
Blynthia Stevenson
Charlece Thomas
Sharon Vann
Marcia Young
Rhonda Young

1975

Marcia Bell
Becky Bradshaw
Tara Bryant
Avis Davis
Adrain Dupree
Barbara Gaiters
Debra Hall
Joan Hill
Sharon Johnson

MISS LUNDEN RUTH RUSSELL



Miss Lunden Ruth Russell is the daughter of Mr. Reginald Russell and Mrs. LaShawn Boyd-Russell of Crowley, Texas.

Lunden is currently a sophomore at Prairie View A&M University in Prairie View, Texas, where she is pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. With a passion for compassionate care, she aspires to become a registered nurse specializing in the neonatal intensive care unit, serving premature and medically fragile newborns.

A distinguished scholar, Lunden earned a place on the Prairie View A&M University Dean's List during both semesters of her freshman year. Her dedication to academic excellence also led to her induction into the National Society of Leadership and Success, the nation's largest leadership honor society. She remains active across campus through her membership in the National Society of Black Women in Medicine and the Green Team, an environmental sustainability organization.

Lunden is a 2024 graduate of Crowley High School in Crowley, Texas, where she was an Honor Roll student and a member of the National Honor Society. She was also a four-year member of the National Society of High School Scholars. Her leadership extended to serving two years on the Student Council and participating in HOSA—

Health Occupations Students of America through which she earned certification as a medical assistant. For six years, Lunden was also a dedicated participant in The Fort Worth Assembly's Les Petite Cygnes (The Little Swans).

Athletically gifted, Lunden excelled in high school sports. She was a member of the varsity women's basketball team and earned Academic All-District honors in 2024. In track and field, she was a regional qualifier from 2020 to 2024 in the 4x200 relay, long jump, and triple jump.

In her leisure time, Lunden enjoys cooking, working out, shopping, and traveling.

Her debut gown is crafted from luminous satin that reflects light with a soft, luxurious sheen, complementing its elegant silhouette. The strapless bodice features a refined sweetheart neckline that gracefully frames her shoulders, providing a sense of poise and structure that flows seamlessly into a dramatic, full ball gown skirt.

Lunden's heart for service is evident through her commitment to community outreach. She has volunteered at various food banks and pantries, supported Open Hearts Children and Family Services during their annual toy and clothing drives, and participated in City of Fort Worth community clean-ups.

She is an active member of Pleasant Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, where she serves in the youth ministry through the praise team, youth ushers, youth choir, and youth outreach efforts.

Lunden is escorted this evening by her father, Mr. Reginald Russell. Her date is Christian Teal, a freshman at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas, majoring in Business Administration. Christian is the son of Sonny and Talisha Teal of Mansfield, Texas.

She has selected as her debut presentation song the hauntingly beautiful rendition of "Ave Maria" performed by Beyoncé.

Miss Lunden Ruth Russell is proudly sponsored by The Fort Worth Assembly member, **Takiyah Evans**.

MISS PAYTON JOI WASHINGTON



opportunity to serve as a student trainer for a variety of athletic team sports. While a student at Martin High School, she was a frequent volunteer at the CTC Food Bank and collaborated with Carter Blood Care to organize the school's semi-annual blood drives.

Payton is a devoted member of Good Shepherd Temple of Praise where she volunteers with the church's youth ministries. Her faith guides her willingness to mentor younger members of the congregation.

Payton is wearing a pure white gown exquisitely adorned with delicately beaded embellishments that shimmer softly with every step. The design features a haltered neckline with sparkling illusion fabric that adds a luminous, ethereal touch. The fitted bodice showcases intricate beadwork that enhances the gown's refined elegance. Timeless and beautifully detailed, this gown perfectly complements Payton.

She is overjoyed to share tonight's magical legacy moment with her cousins, Ms. TeAndrea Campbell in 2006 and Mrs. Haleigh Chanel Franklin in 2007.

Her escort for the evening is her father, Mr. Jeremy Washington. Her date is Emonje Richardson, the son of Estanslo and Uneeda Richardson of Fort Worth, Texas. Emonje is a sophomore at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas majoring in Entrepreneurship and Enterprise Management.

Songwriter, Christina Perri's alluring song, "A Thousand Years" is Payton's debut choice.

The Fort Worth Assembly member, Mrs. Cheryl Scott Lewis, is her sponsor.

Miss Payton Joi Washington is the daughter of Jeremy Washington and Tyra Webb Washington, both of Fort Worth, Texas.

Payton is a sophomore attending Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She is progressing toward a Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree and is set to repeat the academic accolades from her freshman year by receiving Alpha Lambda Delta honors. This achievement is representative of the university's Dean List.

Her academic accomplishments are matched by her dedication to her professional goals. Payton plans on beginning her career as a Registered Nurse after graduation and passage of the nursing state boards testing. With a long-term vision, shaped by her passion for women's health, she intends on pursuing a medical degree specializing in obstetrics and gynecology. She aims to provide compassionate expert care to women and families.

She was a 2024 graduate of James Martin High School in Arlington, Texas excelling both academically and in extracurricular activities. Throughout her tenure she was an active member of AVID, a national collegiate prep program, and the Black Student Union. Membership in the Athletic Trainers Organization also gave her the

Mary Jo McCullough
Stella Marie Pointer

1957

Callie Mae Brewer
Mildred Glenda Brown
Alvin Joan Carrington
Barbara Holman
Gladys Johnson
Alice Mozell McDonald
Marie Randle
Janice Margaret Thomas
Joyce Lee Thomas
Dovie Jean Woods

1958

Laurel Natalie Hands
Jacqueline King
Rosalind Medlock
Wealthia Ann Peniger
Lenora Dellece Prince
Anna Jo Reese
Anna Dora Thorton
Marilyn B Williams
Joyce Vetea Wooden

1959

Mary Lou Bryant
Mackie Lyvonne Harper
Carmen Maye Perpener
Elvia Jean Ransom
Minnie Florence Stein
Joe Annette Tims
Jo Ann Webber

1960

Janice Marcus Alamon
Rosalind Cannon
Martha Ann Clewis
Kathlyn Carole Hines
Peggy Jo Holmes
Phyllis Ann Jackson
Myrna Jo Musgrove
Mary Jo Randle
Norma Ann Sims
Glenda Stein
Virginia Nell Webber

1961

Ruby Nell Fuller
Nancy Beth Haynes
Arthurlene Lee
Rochelle Love

Myrtis McAlister
Wilma Smith
Verna Thomas
Fannie Louise Thompson
Beverly Thompson
Gertrude M Townsend

1962

Frankie Collier
Olivia Denson
Carolyn Ferguson
Gail Ferguson
Marilyn Ferguson
Hallie Hatten
Jeanne Hayes
Vernit McComico
Edith Melton
Jolia Etta Reed
Arvis Scott
Calujan Simmons
Carolyn Stanley

1963

Eileen Baxter
Enna Sue Brooks
Gloria A Crew
Anice Davis
Joella Ferrell
Ruth Elvin Hall
Royalyne Hunter
Patricia Jean Miller
Clarece Beacher Reynolds
Zelma Ruth Sanders
Carolyn Washington

1964

Patricia Alnetta Clark
Barbara Jean Gardner
Brenda Faye Kebe
Charlotte Mitchell
Mary Helen Patterson
Merelene Poindexter
Etheline Ransonm

1965

Hollie Barber
Patricia Bell
Tom Elizabeth Blakemore
Shirley Carroll
Gloria Davidson
Gennie Golightly
Carolyn Hunter
Jerina Johnson

Etta E Moore
Sandra L Savannah

1966

Carol E Brooks
Barbara Chatman
Brenda Edmon
Phillipa L Ferguson
Mildred Martin
Alice Platte
Eddy Vivian Pierce
Anna Stanley
Adrienne Taylor
Brenda Williams

1967

Sharon Blakemore
Jettie Burnett
Pamela Cash
Adrian Cooper
Jessie Fulbright
Vivian Glover
Sandra Hawkins
Linda D Hill
Gwendolyn Lister
Elizabeth Love
Ruth Pruitt
Pernetta Shine
Alphretta Terry
Willie Thompson
Evelyn Washington
Janyce Webber
Abbie S Woods

1968

Cynthia Austin
Evelyn Birks
Fredria Carter
Linda Chambers
Joyce Davis
Willie Lee Davis
Lady Norman Feaster
Barbara Griffin
Edwardean Harris
Sandra Hemphill
Antoinette Johnson
Jaqueline Johnson
Vernicka Knowles
Shirley J Martin
Janie Minnieweather
Diedra Moland
Marie Peterson
Patricia Robinson

FORT WORTH ASSEMBLY DEBUTANTES 1941-2024

1941

Florabelle Anderson
Mildred Arandles
Ella Viola Berry
Ella Mae Bolden
Elizabeth Mayetta Bonner
Bernice Linora Bowie
Walter Beatrice Campbell
Aillance Marie Culbersson
Evelyn Agnes Guinn
Joe Helen Hall
Geraldine Adlena Harden
Vivian B. Jordan
Devalia Hazel Lee
Sedaila Helen Lee
Johnnie Mae Moseley
Marie Louise Norris
Lena Maye Oliver
Nolie Page
Florine Smith
Evelyn Belle Speed
Freddie Mae Terrell
Constance Day White

1946

Rosemary Akins
June Elizabeth Borders
Nadine Quinell Crenshaw
Eulalia Dunlavy
Doris Inez Ford
Mary Dell Guinn
Mattie Mae Howell
Francis Hurd
Minnie Ruth Jones
Ruth Elizabeth Lee
Mae Helen Livingston
Fredie Louise Miller
Gloria Joyce Moore
Marie Natalice Platt
Mary Nette Plummer
Rovodia Lee Poindexter
Vaughn Nell Robertson
LaVonne Tinsley

1947

Gloria Lee Richardson
Gloria Juanita Regan
Earlene Bettye Alford
Elizabeth Jolivet
Margaret Louise Harkey

Frankye Durkee
Mildred Hernesta Bluiitt
Vencienne Sapp

1948

Doris Nell Alamon
Florence Collier
Bettye Jean Crenshaw
Barbara Jean Dorsey
Charla Ola Farris
Venora Sue Frazier
Wilma Jean Gray
Gloria June Howard
Cheretein Elizabeth Lewis
Earline Miles
Etta Windsor Nickpeay
Effie Randle
Pouncy Lou Scott
Tommiesene Thomas
Vera Williams
Olivia Williams

1949

LaVorn Elaine Cheatham
Yvonne L Griffith
Thelma Alberta Kelly
Vandetta Maurice Poindexter
Gloria Verna Williams

1950

Helen Ruth Alford
Alma Dupree
Imogene Ford
Doloris Smith
Beverly Jean Thomas
Georgia Ann Tinsley
Margurite Juanita Walls
Eunice Eleanor Whitaker
Ve Esther Williams

1951

Charlene Hoskins
Barbara Jean Harrell
Maxine Fields
Barbara Jean Thomas
Avis Ann Mitchell

1952

Billie Jean Adams
Millie Lee Ashurst
Erma Bonner
Mary Alice Ford
Marcy Jo Hill
Caroline Louise King
Janis Adaire Miles
Eva Y'vonne Sheppard
June Esther Staten
Virgetta Thomas

1953

June Everret Bryant
Erma Jean Crosby
Effie Jewel Fields
Ella Maye Jackson
Jacqueline C Scott
Barbara Faye Thornton
Barbara Wayne Woodson

1954

Leona Maxine Adams
Annie Marie Brown
Wilma Jean Gilliam
Dorothy Jean Richards
Clyde Lavern Thomas
Colita Frances Thomas
Ruby Darline Thomas
Anna Loise Verse
Francis Winfield

1955

Donald Ann Brooks
Bessie Marie English
Marion Louise Gaines
Gloria Ruth Houston
Joan Marie Jacquet
Ava Jo Thomas
Melba Louise Thomas
Anita Walker

1956

Alede Marie Allen
Barbara Ann Blake
Phyllis Ann Hannah
Gloria Faye Harper
Barbara Sue Houston
Patricia Ann Lee
Kayvonne Levarrs

MISS MACY CAMILLE WILLIAMS



Miss Macy Camille Williams is the daughter of Dr. Sharla Horton Williams of Fort Worth, Texas and DeMarcus Williams of Midlothian, Texas.

Macy is currently matriculating at Hampton University in Hampton, Virginia. She is a junior seeking a degree in finance and a minor in strategic communication. Her future career plans include a position as a finance professional with a focus on real estate. She has always excelled academically and has proven this by being named Dean's List Scholar for five consecutive semesters.

She is especially active in the campus life at Hampton and has participated in a variety of activities including a 2024-2025 term on the Fundraising Committee of the Sophomore Executive Council and a and is currently fulfilling a term on the Junior Executive Council. As an emerging campus leader, she is a participant in the coveted Greer Dawson Wilson Student Leadership Training Program. Community service is an incredibly significant part of Macy's life, and she splits her free time volunteering between the Animal Aid Society and as a member of Generation US, a non-profit organization that empowers youth through education, equity, and community leadership. She is currently serving as treasurer for the 2025-2026 academic year.

Macy is a 2023 graduate of Trinity Valley School in Fort Worth, Texas. As a student at Trinity Valley, she was an exceptionally talented athlete and received the Southern Preparatory Conference Award for athleticism and sportsmanship three years in a row. She also received the Jan Butner Award from the athletics program in 2023. Macy was named captain of the varsity soccer team in 2023 and as a goalie on the varsity field hockey team, she served as captain for the 2022 and 2023 season. She rounded her campus activities as an active member of the Black Student Union for three years.

As an active member of City of Faith Fort Worth, Macy is a member of the Social Media Committee and is one of the church's photographers.

Macy looks stunning in an exquisite sleeveless princess ballgown. The sweetheart neckline and fitted bodice are adorned with a delicate lace overlay featuring three-dimensional floral appliques. The top layer of the skirt is embellished with large appliques strategically placed to highlight the dress's fullness and emphasize the crafted shimmering white chiffon second layer. The natural beauty of the debutante.

She shares The Fort Worth Assembly debutante legacy with her aunt, Ms. Erica Horton, debutante class of 1988.

She is being escorted tonight by her uncle, Mr. Allen Jerry. Andre Kasule, a sophomore at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas is her date this evening. He is Finance major, Property Management minor and the son of Andre and Shatedra Kasule of Fort Worth, Texas.

The lovely and lyrical, "Blessed" performed by Daniel Caesar is Macy's presentation song.

Macy is sponsored by The Fort Worth Assembly Treasurer, Ms. Karen Wiggins.



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