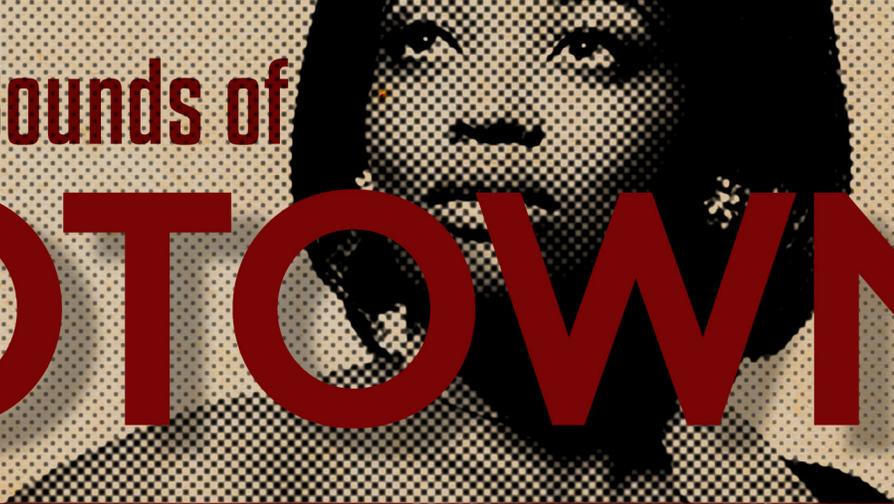


The Soulful Sounds of

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Corey Ronell ★ Janet Hines ★ Ronnie Jones

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HOSTED BY

EMORJA ROBERSON & DJ MACMANE



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**ORGANIZER:  
AUSTIN GAMMAGE, MOD**

Austin has been involved in organizing and managing events over the past decade. Over the years he has continued to bring people together through many events in South Bend. He

is founder and owner of A Gammage Solutions LLC, where he specializes in small and large business consulting, strategic marketing, event planning, and organizational development. He has worked with many local organizations such as the South Bend Museum of Art, DTSB, City of South Bend Venues Parks & Arts, and the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center.

While Austin has organized a wide variety of events, his true passion is to help create opportunities for local artists and musicians to share their talent with their community.

He is also currently a director of regional development for the University of Notre Dame. In this role he assists with cultivating relationships with benefactors to seek leadership gifts in support of the University's mission, which translates into having a significant impact on his home town of South Bend.

**ORGANIZER:  
TURRELL O'NEAL**



Dubbed as the "Bishop of Music," Turrell O'Neal has committed himself to a standard of excellence in music production and event management through the work of his production company Bishop's House Productions. In

addition to production, Turrell is a graduate student at Indiana University-South Bend pursuing a Master's in Education. He sits on the board of directors for Musical Arts Indiana as well as the equity, diversity, and inclusion committee of the South Bend Symphony Orchestra. In 2021, he released with his group, The OFC Chorale, *The Virtual Experience: Live* now available on all streaming platforms.



**ORGANIZER:  
TERRELL ROSS**

Terrell Ross has been involved in music his entire life. He has been serving in the church for over 15 years and now serves as the minister of music at a local church. Terrell Ross is passionate about

bringing live music and production to the Michiana area. He leads production for several community events including the past three years of the Vibes Music Festival. Terrell's goal is to increase exposure for South Bend's music scene and to bring people together through live music.



**HOST:  
EMORJA ROBERSON, DMA**

Emorja Roberson '17, '22 is a conductor, vocalist, and composer who specializes in classical and gospel music. After obtaining his Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance from the University of

North Florida, he began his graduate experience at the University of Notre Dame. In 2017, Roberson graduated as the first African American to obtain a Master of Sacred Music in Vocal Performance.

In 2019, Roberson began as a doctoral student with a focus African-American repertoire. He made his national debut on Season 9 of BET's *Sunday Best* competition as a top 20 contestant and served as the choir director for Kathleen Battle's *The Underground Railroad: A Spiritual Journey* performance at the University of Notre Dame's DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. He was awarded with the 2021 Academic Freedom Award from the Department of Africana Studies and is the recipient of the 2022 Sr. Jean Lenz Award for his leadership promoting a more diverse and inclusive campus community for all students.

In April 2022, he premiered his oratorio, *BE-SPOKEN*, which highlights the Black experience through jazz, hip-hop, and gospel. The premiere included artists including Anthony Walker, King Chav, Harrell D. Young, Donishisa Ballard, and Grammy Award winner, Ledisi. Making history once again, on June 30, 2022, Roberson became the first African American to receive a Doctor of Musical Arts in Choral Conducting from the University of Notre Dame.

Roberson is a 2022 recipient of the Future of Music Faculty Fellowship with Cleveland Institute of Music and assistant professor of Music and African American Studies at Oxford College of Emory University.



**HOST:  
DANNY "DJ MACMANE" MARSHALL**

Daniel Marshall is from South Bend, Indiana. He's the son of a choir director and the younger sibling of drummers and singers. He also plays the piano. DJ Macmane, aka Danny Mac, was always focused

on all types of music, and his dream of becoming a successful DJ rapidly took flight not even a decade ago. It all started from a smartphone app that he purchased for his daughter. Now, he promotes and rocks out clubs with no crates, no records... partying everywhere from Chicago to LA, connecting with several bloggers, promoters, and apparel designers.

When he's not in the DJ booth, he's influencing others through fatherhood initiatives and being a radio personality. He recently was named a "40 under 40," an award recognizing his philanthropy through music to help families in need during the pandemic. This underground DJ of the new millennium is buzzing in the region and he's not stopping anytime soon!



**PERFORMER:  
DARRYL BUCHANAN**

Darryl Buchanan toured the globe for over 20 years as a musician. While growing up in South Bend, at age 17 he was discovered by the legendary Motown recording artist Jr. "Shotgun" Walker and started

doing world tours in the early 1980s. Throughout his musical career he toured with many legendary groups including The Temptations, Grammy Award winner Richard Street, former legendary James Brown band director and trombonist Fred Wesley of the JBs, and the Motown Revue. In 1993 while a member of Jr. Walker's band, Darryl had the honor to perform at President Bill Clinton's Inaugural Ball.

Darryl has also performed on numerous TV shows including NBC's *Saturday Night Live* and has performed at the world-famous Apollo Theatre in Harlem, New York. His musical gifts and stage persona has earned him popularity with diverse crowds. His smooth vocal style fits the legendary sounds of artists like Smokey Robinson and Al Green. On August 29, 2009, Darryl was awarded the certificate of recognition by then South Bend Mayor Stephen J. Lueke for his 30 years in music and his accomplishments. Darryl Buchanan continues to perform at venues and casinos as a soloist and with his full music group. He is the owner of Planet Love Music Publishing Co BMI.



**PERFORMER:  
DEZHA MOORE**

American singer/songwriter, Dezha Moore, has been honing her skills as a performer for the last several years. Dezha was born in Indianapolis, Indiana but was raised in South Bend,

Indiana, also the home of the well-known University of Notre Dame. Along with being a community advocate, Dezha is a soulful R&B artist with the ability to connect with any crowd. She enjoys performing in the Indiana region for large crowds in both public and private settings. She has two completed projects *DAZD* and *Dear Weekend*, which you can find on all streaming services.



**PERFORMER:  
COREY RONELL**

Corey Ronell is a South Bend, Indiana native, home of the Notre Dame Fighting Irish. Although he began as a background vocalist for various artists, his solo career has allowed him to share

the stage with artists such as Eric Benét, PJ Morton, Ginuwine, Day 26, including touring with J. Holiday and many more.

Timeless songs from the likes of Boys 2 Men, Brian McKnight, Musiq Soulchild, Carl Thomas, and Marvin Gaye had Corey memorizing his favorite riffs and harmonies, making them his own. Leaving a lasting impression on your ears, his striking tone illuminates each track.

On November 1, 2018, he released his very first album *Time to Let Go*, which debuted on the iTunes charts at No. 8 and trended in the Top 100 for the next month. His next project *Corey Ronell, The EP* was released and sat at No. 2 next to John Legend for weeks on the iTunes Charts! Corey Ronell is currently working on record placements for some of the industry's top artists and performers. Corey doesn't rest on just being an artist, but also has impeccable writing skills that captivates the listeners' ear with endless vocal arrangements. These skills have also transcended over to Billboard charting songs!



**PERFORMER:  
JANET-HINES NORRIS**

Janet was born in South Bend, Indiana to a family of 12 children, where she began singing at age 7. Janet’s love of singing started in the church. She became a popular vocalist and began singing with a

number of community and regional groups.

In 1980, Janet traveled to Los Angeles, and while there, she performed lead and background vocals in several theaters and venues.

Janet has had the opportunity to travel around the country doing what she loves. In 2014, Janet was the winner of WNIT’s Michiana Rising Star contest. In 2015, she also won the AARP Life @ 50 Plus, a nationwide singing competition held in Miami, Florida with host Arsenio Hall and guest judges Kenny Loggins, Chaka Khan, Emilio Estefan, Tina Clark. In 2016, Janet became a volunteer for the Big Brothers Big Sisters program.

At the 2019 Martin Luther King Jr. Day breakfast, Janet also received the Drum Major for Justice community service award presented by Mishawaka’s Mayor Dave Wood. That same year, she sang the National Anthem at South Bend Mayor Pete Buttigieg’s Presidential Campaign Rally.



**PERFORMER:  
WILLIAM “RONNIE” JONES**

William “Ronnie” Jones is a guitarist, singer, and preacher. Best known as a lead vocalist for the Michigan-based quartet, The Flint Cavaliers, Ronnie has traveled across the country

sharing stages with industry heavyweights. He has appeared on The Word Network’s *Dorinda Clark-Cole Show*. Ronnie’s high energy performances and vocal range continue to open doors and leave a lasting impression on those who are able to witness his gift.

**MUSICIANS**

Sam Diggins III, auxiliary keys  
Derick Hines, bass  
Redginald Norris, drums/music director  
Turrell O’Neal, keys/music director  
Buddy Pearson, bass  
Brendan Sweeney, guitar

**BACKGROUND VOCALISTS**

Alexis Adams  
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