

# Urban One, Inc. Celebrated 40 Years At Urban One Honors



Billy Porter, Urban One Founder/Chairwoman Cathy Hughes, Chris Tucker and TV One General Manager Michelle Rice attend the “Urban One Honors” on December 5, 2019, at the MGM National Harbor (credit: Urban One, Inc)

The Urban One Honors took place Thursday, December 5th at the MGM National Harbor in Oxon Hill, Maryland. Urban One founder and chairwoman Cathy Hughes and actor Chris Tucker hosted the star-studded event celebrating 40 years of Radio One. **The taping will air January 20, 2020, at 8 PM ET on TV One.**

The honorees this year included music executive Sylvia Rhone (Lifetime Achievement Honor), recording artist Missy Elliott (Music Innovation Honor), actor and comedian Jamie Foxx (Entertainment Icon Honor), artist Chance The Rapper (Represent Change Honor), *Pose* actor/dancer Ryan Jamaal Swain (Represent Pride Honor), music executive legend Clarence “The Black Godfather” Avant (Represent Opportunity), civil rights activist Rev. Al Sharpton (Represent Leadership) and actor Billy Porter (Represent Excellence).

There were several highlights from the evening starting with a surprise performance from Anita Baker who serenaded Cathy Hughes with “Giving You The Best That I’ve Got” and she had Lalah Hathaway, Billy Porter and Jamie Foxx join her on stage. Lil’ Kim warmly presented the Music Icon Innovation Award to her longtime friend Missy Elliott. Actress Corinne Foxx presented her father Jamie Foxx with the Entertainment Icon Award and he revealed that being a father is his best role

ever. A musical tribute to the late James Ingram had performances from Ne-Yo, Eric BenÃ©t, Chante MoorÃ© and Al B. Sure!

There were additional performances from Brandy, Wale and new artist Jac Ross. Special appearances by Urban One CEOÃ© Alfred Liggins, III, veteran radio personalityÃ© Tom Joyner, entrepreneur and TV personalityÃ© Ray J, rapper/radio hostÃ© Da Brat, TV hostÃ© Egypt Sherrrod, comedianÃ© George Wallace, and Reach Media/Radio One personalitiesÃ© Russ Parr, Willie Moore, Jr, Dyana Williams, Darlene McCoy,andÃ© Little Bacon Bearrounded out the show.



Jamie Foxx



Anita Baker



Lil Kim, Missy Elliott, Da  
Brat



Ryan Jamaal Swain and Billy  
Porter



Cathy Hughes



Ne-Yo