



DUKE ELLINGTON SCHOOL
OF THE ARTS
SENIOR AWARD RECIPIENTS
JUNE 20, 2020

National Honor Society Members

Trinity Anderson
Emma Berdy
Ayiana Davis Pollen
Melody Flores
Sydney Forrester-Wilson
Amir Gray
Jory Holmes
Kianna Kelly-Futch
J'adore Loftin
Taje Lowe

Maya McGuire
Bailey Moore
Elson Amiri Nash
Simone Pruden
Nyla Rahman
Isabel Rebora
Amari Smith
Nicolai Sotherly
Jensen Villaflor



English Department

Most Outstanding

Kianna Kelly-Futch

Most Improved

Cassidy Scott

Foreign Languages Department

Most Outstanding

Nicolai Snotherly

Most Improved

Keris Richmond

Science Department

Most Outstanding

Lyle Barr

Melody Flores

Most Improved

Adarius Henderson

Akilah Miller

Social Sciences Department

Most Outstanding

Elson Amiri Nash

Most Improved

Amonie Carrington

Specialized Instruction

Most Improved

Robert Hackett

Dance Department

Most Outstanding

Jahnell Boozer

Lauren Mueller

Most Improved

Taje Lowe

Nailah Morsell

Instrumental Music Department

Most Outstanding

Melody Flores

Most Improved

Jonah Hwang

Donovan Richmond

**Literary Media &
Communications Department**

Most Outstanding

Nyla Rahman
Jensen Villaflor

Most Improved

Adarius Henderson
Anna Robinson

**Museum Studies
Department**

Most Outstanding

Jada Williams
Ashley Standard

Most Improved

Arnedja Evans

Arts Department

Technical Design and Production Department

Most Outstanding

Keris Richmond

Most Improved

Atiya Anderson

Theater Department

Most Outstanding

Talli Basile

Most Improved

Robert Hackett



Visual Arts Department

Most Outstanding

Emma Berdy

Isabel Rebora

Most Improved

Andrea Delgado-Llanos

Karen Moreno-Acero

Vocal Music Department

Most Outstanding

Maya McGuire

Most Improved

Kianna Kelly-Futch

Other Scholarships

Salim Hylton Memorial Scholarship

Lauren Mueller- \$1,000

Jonathan Sadler Memorial Scholarship

Amir Gray- \$500

DCPS Awards

Valedictorian - **Melody Flores**

Salutatorian - **Isabel Rebora**

Community Service Award - **Ayiana Davis Polen**

Leadership Award - **Sydney Forrester-Wilson**

Citizenship Award - **Jory Holmes**



Most Improved Student - **Amonie Carrington**

Principal's Achievement Award - **Elson Amiri Nash**

C.E.O Award - **Gabrielle Clark**

Exceptional English Language Learner Award - **Noemi Sanchez-Cruz**

Director of Arts Award - **Akilah Miller**

Inspirational Educator Award - **Nicolas Ojeda**



Ellington Fund and Special Awards

David Reznick Foundation - 2 @ \$1,250.

- Eric Chaney - The University of the Arts
- Aylia Black - West Virginia Wesleyan College

Jay Berman Scholarships – \$2,500 scholarships (2)

Criteria: This scholarship is awarded to Vocal or Instrumental Music students.

- Donovan Richmond - (Instrumental Music)
- Kianna Kelly-Futch - (Vocal Music) Manhattan School of Music

Janet B. Rubin Award – \$5,000 scholarship

Criteria: For any artistically and academically proficient student admitted to an accredited college, university, or qualified arts institution for Fall 2020. *(May be used for tuition, fees, or books, but not room & board or transportation).*

- Melody Flores - McGill University



Ellington Fund and Special Awards

Wade Family Scholarship – \$5,000 scholarship

Criteria: Awarded to a student in the Dance Department

- Jahnell Boozer - The University of the Arts

Todd Eckhardt Memorial Scholarship – \$3,500 scholarship

Criteria: Awarded to a student in the Instrumental Music department.

- Akilah Miller - The Peabody Institute of the John Hopkins University

Jim Mayo Scholarship Award - \$1,000 scholarship

Criteria: Awarded to a student in the Visual Arts department that will be attending college and there is a financial need and is creative and has artistry leadership in the department.

- Chloe Griffin - Savannah College of Art & Design



Ellington Fund and Special Awards

The Lauren Michaud Memorial Scholarship – \$4,000 scholarship

Criteria: Awarded to a student in Visual Arts who plans to attend college and pursue a career in the arts.

- Gabrielle Clark - Fashion Institute of Technology

The Father John Payne Scholarship - \$2,000 scholarship

- Caleb Moore - The University of Maryland Global Campus

The Ellington School Spirit Awards - 2@ \$250 scholarship

- Jory Holmes - Columbia College Chicago
- Amiri Nash – Brown University



Ellington Fund and Special Awards

The Spirit of Ellington Awards - 4 @ \$500 scholarship

- Amir Gray – Temple University
- Courtney Whitley – Towson University
- Kierra Poindexter – Temple University
- Sydney Forrester-Wilson – University of Illinois at Chicago

Ellington Fund Prize – \$1,000 scholarships (2)

- Class of 2020 Valedictorian - Melody Flores - McGill University
- Class of 2020 Salutatorian - Isabel Rebora - DePaul University

Duke Ellington 8:46 Civic Engagement Award - \$846 scholarship

- Stefan Morgan – Exceptional Minds in California



Co-Founder Peggy Cooper Cafritz Awards

Cooper Cafritz Awards – \$10,000 scholarships (3)

Award #1 - Awarded to a student who exemplifies a bright happy personality and loves life

- Jory Holmes - Columbia College Chicago

Award #2 - Awarded to a student who is intelligent, demonstrates leadership skills, understands responsibility and can be counted on to get the job done.

- Elson Amiri Nash - Brown University

Award #3 - Awarded to a student who possesses the spirit of kindness and compassion, gives back to their community and is always of service to those in need.

- Ayiana Davis-Polen - Spelman College



Total
Scholarships

\$10,601,716



TOP 20 Class Ranking

1. **Melody Flores**
2. **Isabel Rebora**
3. **Maya McGuire**
4. **Jensen Villaflor**
5. **Nicolai Sotherly**
6. **Kianna Kelly-Futch**
7. **Simone Pruden**
8. **Bailey Moore**
9. **James Williams**
10. **Talli Basile**
11. **Lauren Mueller**
12. **Imani Horton**
13. **Sydney Forrester-Wilson**
14. **Ayiana Davis Polen**
15. **Nyla Rahman**
16. **Emma Berdy**
17. **Rania Namoro**
18. **Siobhan O'Brien**
19. **Wynter Jackson**
20. **Gabrielle Clark**

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Aryiana Adair - University of Nevada-Las Vegas

Kayla Adams - Bowie State University

Timothy Adams - New York University

Amira Allen - Undecided

Atiya Anderson - Undecided

Grady Anderson - Undecided

Trinity Anderson - New York University

Tyler Bailey - York College of Pennsylvania

Angel Barnes - Grambling State University

Lyle Barr – Undecided

Talli Basile- Rutgers University- New Brunswick

Emma Berdy - Virginia Commonwealth University

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Aylia Black - West Virginia Wesleyan College

Jazmyn Blanco-Figueroa - Syracuse University

Jahnell Boozer - The University of the Arts

Christian Brown - Undecided

Pernell Brown - Morgan State University

Madison Bryan-Barnes - George Mason University

Amari Buchanan - Norfolk State University

Austin Burkett - Berklee College of Music

Amonie Carrington - Undecided

Eric Chaney - The University of the Arts

Gabrielle Clark - Fashion Institute of Technology

Tariq Clarke - Savannah College of Art and Design

Nicholas Clisham-Parsons - Radford University

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Jordan Coffer-Bryant- University of Southern California

Miniya Crossen - Virginia Commonwealth University

Ayiana Davis Polen - Spelman College

Andrea Delgado-Llanos - School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Nike Diggs - Alabama State University

I'mani Donaldson - Delaware State University

Janiya Douglas - Alabama State University

Davida Duarte - Catholic University of America

Pablo Echevarria - SUNY at Purchase University

Makayla Epps - West Virginia Wesleyan College

D'Mya Estes - West Virginia Wesleyan College

Arnedja Evans - Trinity Washington University

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Melody Flores - McGill University

Marteka Flowers - Temple University

Sydney Forrester -Wilson - University of Illinois at Chicago

Asa Forte - Syracuse University

Niyah Gatling - Montgomery College

Denzel Gibbs - West Virginia Wesleyan College

Tyree Gilliam - Georgia State University

Amir Gray - Temple University

Chloe Griffin - Savannah College of Art and Design

Robert Hackett - Undecided

Keyara Hall - Undecided

Milan Harris - James Madison University

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Jay Hausey - Undecided

Kesaundra Haythe - Florida Memorial University

Adarius Henderson - University of Wyoming

Kameron Henson - University of North Carolina at Asheville

Autumn Herbert - Frostburg State University

Anaya Hicks - Spelman College

Jory Holmes - Columbia College Chicago

Imani Horton - Mount Saint Mary College

Jonah Hwang - University of Miami

Kai Isaac - Savannah College of Art and Design

Raylen Jackson - Georgia State University

Wynter Jackson - Virginia Commonwealth University

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Chacajua James - Savannah College of Art and Design

Tyvone Kahiga - University of Maryland Eastern Shore

Pierre Kearney - Undecided

Kianna Kelly-Futch - Manhattan School of Music

Jalyn Lampkin - Bowie State University

Julian Lockett - Employed

J'adore Loftin - Spelman College

Taje Lowe - Delaware State University

Carla Marin - Maryland Institute College of Art

Kayla McCann - North Carolina A & T University

Maya McGuire - University of Cincinnati

Akilah Miller - The Peabody Institute, Johns Hopkins University

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Deja Mills - Clark Atlanta University

Grady Moats - Columbia College Chicago

Bailey Moore - George Washington University

Caleb Moore - University of Maryland Global Campus

Stephanie Moran - University of the District of Columbia

Karen Moreno-Acero - Undecided

Stefan Morgan - Exceptional Minds

Nailah Morsell - The University of the Arts

Lauren Mueller - The University of the Arts

Kennedy Myers - School of Visual Arts

Rania Namoro - Maryland Institute College of Art

Elson Amiri Nash - Brown University (POSSE Scholarship Awardee)

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Kai Nichols - Michigan State University

Siobhan O'Brien - Emerson College

Eleanor Orzulak - SUNY at Purchase College

Jerome Perry - Undecided

Emmani Phillips-Quigley - Florence Academy of Art

Kierra Poindexter - Temple University

Karma Price - Rutgers University- New Brunswick

Simone Pruden - Xavier University of Louisiana

Nyla Rahman - Spelman College

Isabel Rebora - DePaul University

Donovan Richmond - University of Hartford-Connecticut

Keris Richmond - The University of the Arts

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Anna Robinson - Antioch College

Sebastian Sabahi - Berklee College of Music

Noemi Sanchez-Cruz - Trinity Washington University

Terrell Savoy - Virginia State University

Cassidy Scott - Old Dominion University

Marcus Singleton - Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising- Los Angeles

Amari Smith - Spelman College

Daniel Smith - Howard Community College

Nicolai Sotherly - Brown University (POSSE Scholarship Awardee)

Ashley Standard - George Washington University

Alyse Stewart - Undecided

Kiamsha Tate - LIM College

Class of 2020 Post-Secondary Plans

Mitchell Travers - Savannah College of Art and Design

Giselle Varre - Montclair State University

De'Seaun Vaughn – Employed

Jensen Villaflor - University of Hawaii

John Wade - University of Miami

Ronald Walton - University of District of Columbia Community College

Skyy West - Prairie View A & M University

Courtney Whitley - Towson University

Logan Whitworth - California Institute of the Arts

Jada Williams - Virginia State University

James Williams- Wake Forest University

Brandi Wimpye- Virginia Commonwealth University