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MEDIA ALERT

EARTH, WIND & FIRE HEADLINES 20TH JAZZ AT DREW CONCERT ON OCTOBER 7!

West Coast Get Down, Sheila E., DW3 and Eloise Laws round out the line-up

Los Angeles, Calif. (August 14, 2017) – Charles R. Drew University is pleased to announce the 2017 **Jazz at Drew** concert series, an annual music fundraiser featuring some of the most prolific names in jazz and R&B!

- **What:** **Jazz at Drew**, an all-day outdoor fundraiser geared towards enriching the CDU experience for students by funding University scholarships, student services, campus facilities and pipeline programs.
- **Who:** This year's lineup includes Grammy-award winning group **Earth Wind & Fire**, Los Angeles' own **West Coast Get Down** featuring **Kamasi Washington, Miles Mosley, Cameron Graves, Ronald Bruner and more**, drummer extraordinaire **Sheila E.**, Latin soul group **DW3**, music pioneer **Eloise Laws**, and the **Fernando Pullum Community Arts Center Band**.
- **When:** October 7, 2017 from 12 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
- **Where:** Charles R. Drew University, 1731 E 120th St, Los Angeles, CA 90059

For more information regarding the concert or sponsorship opportunities, please contact the Office of Strategic Advancement at (323) 357-3669 or jazzatdrew@cdrewu.edu

Going Metro? Take the Metro Green or Blue Line to the **Willowbrook/Rosa Parks Station**. It's a 10-minute walk to the Charles R. Drew University campus, south on Wilmington Ave. Plan your trip on metro.net.

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ABOUT JAZZ AT DREW

Headquartered in Los Angeles – a former hotbed for all things related to jazz music – **Jazz at Drew's** emphasis on showcasing home-grown talent with international appeal has been the distinguishing factor that separates the event from larger jazz festivals in Southern California. More than any other event, it displays LA jazz in a range of styles all while being surrounded by a colorful marketplace and health pavilion.

With its unique setting between Charles R. Drew University and Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Hospital, Jazz at Drew carries on late founder Roland Betts' vision by continuing to combine the unique and therapeutic properties of music with the medicinal properties of medicine and science.

ABOUT CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE

CDU is a private, non-profit student centered minority-serving medical and health sciences University that is committed to cultivating diverse health professional leaders who are dedicated to social justice and health equity for underserved populations through outstanding education, research, clinical service, and community engagement.

Located in the Watts-Willowbrook area of South Los Angeles, CDU has graduated, since its inception, more than **575** physicians, **1,200** physician assistants and **over a thousand** other health professionals, as well as training over **2,700** physician specialists through its sponsored residency programs. Its School of Nursing has graduated over **1000** nursing professionals, including over **600** family nurse practitioners. CDU is a leader in health disparities research with a focus on education, training, treatment and care in cancer, diabetes, cardiometabolic and HIV/AIDS.