

#### **School of Communication**

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- Alumni, faculty, students, and community leaders
- Special tributes to award-winning journalists, filmmakers, and trailblazers

#### What Te

Texas Southern University's School of Communication (SOC), Houston's first School of Communication, will mark its 50th Anniversary Jubilee and Fundraising Kick-off Celebration. The event will honor five decades of excellence in journalism, media, film, radio, communication, and innovation while highlighting the achievements of alumni, faculty, and students. A D.J. LegacyFest starts on the MLK portico at 3 p.m. before the jubilee.

# When Thursday, Oct. 16, 2025

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

## Where University Museum

Texas Southern University Campus

Houston, Texas, 77004

#### Why

The SOC has been a powerful voice of truth, culture, and change for 50 years, preparing generations of communicators who have shaped industries locally and globally. The 50th Anniversary Jubilee and Fundraising Kick-off invites supporters to make pledges that will support scholarships, curriculum innovation, and experiential learning opportunities. <a href="https://giving.tsu.edu/soc/">https://giving.tsu.edu/soc/</a>

### VISUALS & PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS:

- Alumni spotlights and cultural performances
- Tributes to faculty and communication trailblazers
- Student showcases and networking opportunities

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### Houston's First School of Communication marks 50 years of excellence

Houston, Texas - Texas Southern University's School of Communication (SOC) proudly announces its **50th Anniversary Jubilee and Fundraising Kick-off Celebration** scheduled for **Thursday**, **Oct. 16**, **from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m**. The celebratory event will be held at the iconic University Museum on the TSU campus during Homecoming Week, honoring a half-century of groundbreaking contributions in education, media, film, journalism, radio, entertainment, communication, and innovation.

Supporters are encouraged to donate to the School of Communication to help advance its mission of academic excellence and innovation. Contributions will directly enhance student success and retention, faculty development, and the creation of forward-thinking programs. Funds will also support scholarships, upgrades to media labs, and experiential learning opportunities that prepare students to enter the workforce ready to lead, create, and inspire.

We invite alumni, community partners, and friends of the School to be part of this historic milestone. Your presence, your voice, and your support will help ensure that the next generation of communicators continues this legacy of excellence. Join us and make history with us.

For half a century, the School of Communication has been a leader in shaping dynamic professionals who have made their mark in industries from Texas to the world.

"The School of Communication has been at the heart of creating a pipeline of culturally brilliant communicators who have helped bridge the gap of misconception and intolerance," said Serbino Sandifer-Walker, School of Communication assistant dean and co-chair of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Jubilee Committee. "The School of Communication will continue to shape the voice of visionaries and empower its students and the community."

The SOC remains dedicated to preparing the next generation of communicators who are equipped to lead, innovate, and make a meaningful impact in media and society. This milestone event will pay homage to its students, alumni, professors, and supporters, who have been with them on this incredible journey.

### The evening will feature:

- A showcase of alumni achievements across industries
- Special tributes to faculty and trailblazers
- Cultural performances and student spotlights
- Opportunities for networking and community engagement

Join us in celebrating 50 years of storytelling, innovation, and leadership at the TSU School of Communication.

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