



HOWARD
UNIVERSITY

College of Arts and Sciences
Division of Fine Arts

Dear Class of 2025:

Welcome and congratulations on your acceptance to the Division of Fine Arts at Howard University! Earning a place in our community of artist-scholars is no small achievement and we are delighted that you have selected Howard to continue your creative and intellectual journey. You now share a history with revered Howardites such as Taraji P. Henson, Richard Smallwood, Toni Morrison, Phylicia Rashad, Debbie Allen, Chadwick Boseman, Anthony Anderson, Kamala Harris, Roberta Flack, Lois Mailou Jones, David Driskell, Nick Cannon and many more.

As an alumna (Dr. Farrington) and a long-time member of the University community (Coordinator Paige-Deneal), we can attest to the fact that your lives will change forever as a result of your decision to make Howard your educational home. Since coming to Howard as a reticent teenager from New York and receiving my BFA, I (Dr. Farrington) have remained in touch with my faculty mentors, whose examples and support have sustained me for a lifetime. The same opportunities await you.

The mission of our Art, Music and Theatre faculty is to prepare you to become multi-talented creators and thinkers with a breadth of knowledge and skills that spans disciplines. Our goal is also to infuse you with a sense of the importance of service—to your communities and beyond. The arts have an innate ability to enhance the human experience, and you, as members of the art community, now share in this power.

Your experience at Howard will be shaped not only by faculty and advisors, but also by you—it will be what you make it; and it will be limited only by the limitations you place on yourselves. Know that we are here to help you in any way that we can, so that your journey is a successful one.

Once again, welcome to Howard!

Sincerely,

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Associate Dean of Fine Arts

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