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### *Five (5) Kentuckians have been Inducted to the Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame*

**Louisville, KY-** The Kentucky Commission on Human Rights inducted 5 new members into the Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame at a special ceremony on November 22, 2024.

Recipients of the prestigious honor were announced to over 130 civil and human rights leaders, and government officials, and the general public, who attended the induction ceremony at the James E. Bruce Convention Center in Hopkinsville, Ky.

The 2024 Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame inductees are: William L. Davis of Lexington, the late Helen Danser of Berea, Amber Duke of Louisville, the late Louis Porter McHenry of Hopkinsville, and the late Virginia Moore of Willisburg.

The ceremony was officiated by Dr. Alissa Young, President and CEO of Hopkinsville Community and Technical College. The afternoon's highlights included the performances by local artists Poet Jada Poindexter, and Soloist Chassity Mumford. Poindexter moved the audience with an original poem and Mumford uplifted those in attendance with the moving song, *A Change is Gonna Come*, written by Sam Cook.

The Commission established the Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame as part of its 40th anniversary celebration in 2000. The special recognition serves as a monument to brave men and women whose efforts on many battlegrounds have helped to improve the lives of Kentuckians. Hall of fame nominees fought to end slavery. They worked for the desegregation of schools and public accommodations. They have pushed for civil rights legislation and equal opportunity in education, employment and housing. They have given their time, money and service toward efforts that challenged and changed unjust philosophies and systems.



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The calls for nominations for the next Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame will be announced in early 2026. For more information about the Kentucky Civil Rights Hall of Fame or about the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights, please visit [kchr.ky.gov](http://kchr.ky.gov)

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