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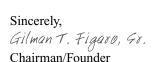


### MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER AND HOST

As the Founder of the SUNSHINE Awards Organization, I take great pride in welcoming you to the 30th Annual SUNSHINE Awards Program, a milestone event. Your presence here this evening reaffirms your commitment to the various disciplines that help to make our world a better place. A place where tolerance, cultural diversity combined with knowledge, wisdom and understanding must set the stage for the coexistence of global cultures in peace and harmony. The SUNSHINE Awards Organization founded 30 years ago underscores these characteristics with its shared values of family and respect for all. I thank you for joining us in our efforts to make dreams realities.

We are privileged to be able to recognize individuals/organizations before an audience with such a strong desire and commitment to making our world a better place. These 30th Annual SUNSHINE Awards nominees and new inductees of the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame were selected by a panel of researchers using a rigid set of criteria. My congratulations to all of them on their accomplishments and thanks for their contribution to our lives.

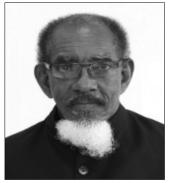
On a personal note, my thanks to our sponsors, patrons and advertisers for their commitment to make this milestone event a successful and very special one. Your generous support and contribution through the years continue to help the SUNSHINE Awards Organization to make a difference in peoples' lives. My thanks to the SUNSHINE Awards teams, in the United States, Trinidad and Tobago and the Caribbean by extension as well as our families for embracing and supporting the core values of the SUNSHINE Awards Organization.





At The Center Of Global Culture

### MESSAGE FROM THE CO-FOUNDER of the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame and Chairman of the Nomination and Network Committee



Welcome to the 30th Annual SUNSHINE Awards Program, a milestone event. One of the privileges I have as the Co-founder of the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame and the Chairman of the Nomination and Network Committee is to lead the process of selecting the nominees for the SUNSHINE Award. This process is simple but yet complex. The process engages individuals, organizations and educational institutions in researching candidates presented for consideration. The findings are then discussed, verified, and followed by a decision. I am particularly proud and welcome the blessings to reach out far and wide to those who are masters of the arts and other disciplines to recognize them and say "thank you" on behalf of the SUNSHINE Awards Organization. My congratulations to all the nominees/honorees of the 30th Annual SUNSHINE Awards. My thanks to my nomination and selection committee,

our families and all those who keep us informed of individuals/organizations and events that contribute in a positive way to our lives. Have a wonderful and exciting time at this very special event tonight.

Sincerely,

Chalkie.

Dr. Hollis "Chalkdust" Liverpool







Nikki Crosby (Co-Host)



Errol Fabien (Co-Host)

#### Presenters

Errol Fabien & Nikki Crosby	Host & Co-host of the SUNSHINE Awards
Dr. Hollis Liverpool	Co-founder of SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame
Dr. Harold Robertson	Diplomat & Former Consul General of the Republic of Trinidad & Tobago
Don Bobb	
Honorable Kelvin Charles	Chief Secretary, Tobago House of Assembly
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Johnny Thomas	CEO, Re-upholstery & Restoration



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them with excellent, reliable health care services.

National Staffing Associates is an active supporter of cultural and artistic activities throughout The Caribbean-American community. We are proud to align ourselves with organizations such as The Sunshine Awards. We thank Gil Figaro and The Sunshine Awards for recognizing excellence in the performing arts and making a difference in people's lives throughout the Caribbean, South America, Central America and Africa.

Congratulations to all the Awards nominees and recipients and new inductees into the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame.





### **RICKY & ANGIE LORD**

President & Executive Assistant MIL VAL MOTORS, INC.

All Star Motors is a proud sponsor of the 30th Annual SUNSHINE Awards Program. We wish to extend congratulations to the committee on reaching this milestone. Your loyalty, professionalism and commitment to the success of the

SUNSHINE Awards does not go unnoticed. We congratulate the nominees and recipients of the 2018 SUNSHINE Awards as you all continue to shape and enrich the lives of others.







**JOHNNY THOMAS** RE-UPHOLSTERY AND RESTORATION

As CEO of Re-upholstery and Restoration, I am proud of the SUNSHINE Awards Organization for recognizing great contributors to our lives and our world. Re-upholstery and Restoration is also proud to be a sponsor of the 30th Annual SUNSHINE Awards Program.

Re-upholstery and Restoration is the recipient of many recognitions and awards because we place great emphasis on customer satisfaction with exceptional expertise, the finest craftmanship and teamwork. In fact, our Designers help you select the perfect fabric and our Master Upholsterers transform your old furniture into something new.

On behalf of the Re-upholstery and Restoration family and on my own behalf, I congratulate Gil Figaro and his SUNSHINE Awards team for connecting cultures around the world in an effort to make our world a better place.



### STEPHEN CHARLES **CEO** TRINI BREAKFAST SHED

This milestone compels us to reflect upon the history of the of the SUNSHINE Awards Organization and the important role it plays in our multicultural society. Gil Figaro and the SUNSHINE Awards Organization have every reason to be proud on this it 30th anniversary. I am very excited about its

future and I am certain that the organization will continue to recognize the talented exponents of the various regions around the world for many years to come. I am also proud to be a co-sponsor of the very important and unique awards program.







### DR. RUTH PARKIN-EDWIN

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Hearty congratulation to the SUNSHINE Awards Organization for 30 years of service to the Caribbean community. Congrats to all 2018 honorees.





## MARIO AND VIDYA LALL

CEO & PRESIDENT LIMIN'S CAFÉ

Limins Café is especially pleased and honored to be associated with The Global SUNSHINE Awards, an organization known for showcasing and spotlighting the amazing talented peoples of not only the Caribbean but the world at large and truly energizes and motivates the individual to aspire for greatness.





### THE NOMINEES RECIPIENTS FOR THE 30TH ANNUAL SUNSHINE AWARDS



#### Millie Uriarte - Puerto Rico

Millie Uriarte is a retired Director of United Airlines. She will receive the 2018 SUNSHINE Awards "Friend of the Arts" Award for her many years of support and commitment to the performing arts.





#### **Hugh Riley -** Barbados

Hugh Riley is the Secretary General and Chief Executive Officer of the Caribbean Tourism Organization, (CTO). He oversees the CTO's offices in Barbados, North America and Europe and leads the organization's initiatives to strengthen the Caribbean brand worldwide. Hugh will receive the 2018 SUNSHINE Award for his contribution to Caribbean tourism.



#### Andre Alexander - Trinidad & Tobago

Andre Alexander (posthumously) a photographer par excellence. Although all manner of cultural events fell prey to his lens, his photos of calypsonians brought reflections and joy to the calypso world.





#### Karl Rodney - Jamaica

Karl Rodney is the CEO and Publisher of the New York Carib News. The New York Carib News was founded in 1981, and has maintained its Caribbean ownership and commitment over the past 37 years later. It is the first weekly Caribbean-American publication of Caribbean news in the New York tri-state area. Tonight, Karl will receive the 2018 SUNSHINE Awards for Journalism.





#### Stephen Charles - Grenada

Stephen Charles is the CEO of Trini Breakfast Shed, Brooklyn, New York. As a businessman, Stephen believes what he is blessed with must be shared with the less privileged. He does this through a number of charitable initiatives. Tonight, he will receive the 2018 SUNSHINE Award "Corporate Award" for his determination to leave the world better than he met it.









Ron Berridge - Trinidad & Tobago

Ron Berridge a renowned calypso bandleader enthralled people of Caribbean heritage and Americans by infusing the big band sound in calypso music in the 1960s and 70s. Tonight we induct him into the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame for his contribution to the performing arts.



Edwin "Crazy" Ayoung - Trinidad & Tobago

Crazy, began his career as a calypsonian in 1970. Since then he has given us many hits such as "Nani Wine," "Paul," "In Time to Come" where he predicted America will elect a black President. Tonight, tonight we induct him into the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame for his contribution to the performing arts.



Kenrick Thomas - Trinidad & Tobago

Kenrick Thomas is a steelband pioneer who helped to establish the steelband movement in Tacarigua, East Trinidad, in the early 1950s. Tonight we induct him into the SUNSHINE Awards Hall of Fame for his contribution to the performing arts.



Kenneth de Silva - Trinidad & Tobago

Kenneth de Silva served for many years and for several terms as Chairman of the National Carnival Commission of Trinidad and Tobago. His love for the arts helped to pave the way for many performing artists throughout the Caribbean and overseas. Tonight he receives the SUNSHINE Awards Friend of the Arts Award for his contribution to the performing arts.

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### THE NOMINEES RECIPIENTS FOR THE 30TH ANNUAL SUNSHINE AWARDS



#### **Ricky & Angie Lord** - Trinidad & Tobago

President & Executive Assistant, MIL VAL Motors, Inc. They founded the business over 31 years ago. They define what "giving back to the community" means. They place as much emphasis on the welfare of their employees, the less privileged and the community as they place on their own lives. They do this through a number of charitable initiatives in their community and abroad. Tonight they receive the 2018 SUNSHINE Awards Corporate Award.





#### Bailo Bah - Guinea, West Africa

Bailo was born in Guinea in 1947 from a Vietnamese mother and a Peul (Fulani) father. At age 15, having lost all his relatives, mother, father and grandfather, he left his village on foot with one flute in his hand to try his luck in Dakar. Since then, Bailo has participated in countless festivals, recordings, and tours around the world. He has toured the World as a soloist for the Ballets Koteba more than twenty years. Tonight, he receives the 2018 SUNSHINE Awards for his contribution the performing arts.





#### Dil-E-Nadan Band - Trinidad & Tobago

Dil-E-Nadan means, "Young at Heart." This band was formed over 50-years ago, but remains innovative, relevant and futuristic, boasting a following incorporating pre-teens, youth, young adults and elders. It is often described as an Indo-Caribbean/Chutney-Soca Crossover band. Tonight, the Dil-E-Nadan Band receives the 2018 SUNSHINE Award for its contribution to the performing arts.





#### Frandy Jean - Haiti

Frandy Jean is a painter best known for his surrealistic work. Born in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, Jean grew up teaching himself the basic skills of drawing and painting. He began experimenting with watercolors and acrylic paint which became his new passion. Jean's work consists of paintings of women and children he found around the market place in Haiti. Tonight, Frandy receives the 2018 SUNSHINE Award for his contribution to Fine Arts.

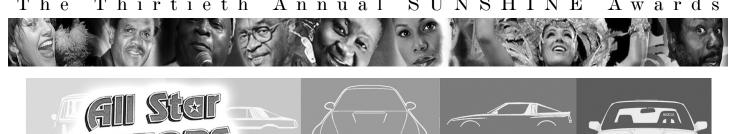




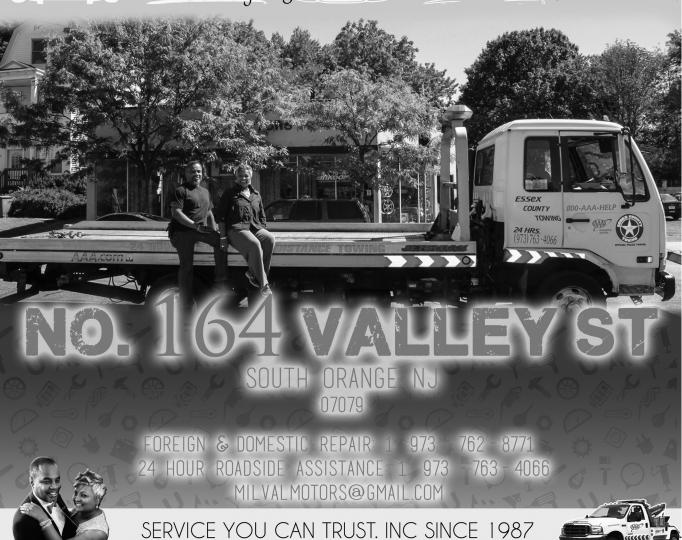
photo by Maria Nunes

#### Etienne Charles - Trinidad & Tobago

Etienne Charles currently serves as Associate Professor of Jazz Trumpet at Michigan State University in East Lansing. A recipient of multiple awards and listing in the US Congressional Record for his musical contributions to Trinidad & Tobago and the World. He is often recognized for his exciting performances, thrilling compositions and ability to connect musically with audiences worldwide. He has many successful jazz albums. Charles brings a careful study of myriad rhythms from the French, Spanish, English and Dutch speaking Caribbean to his compositions and the performing arts. He is dedicated to preserving the artistic traditions of his homeland, Trinidad and Tobago. Tonight, he receives the 2018 SUNSHINE Awards for his contribution to the performing arts.

















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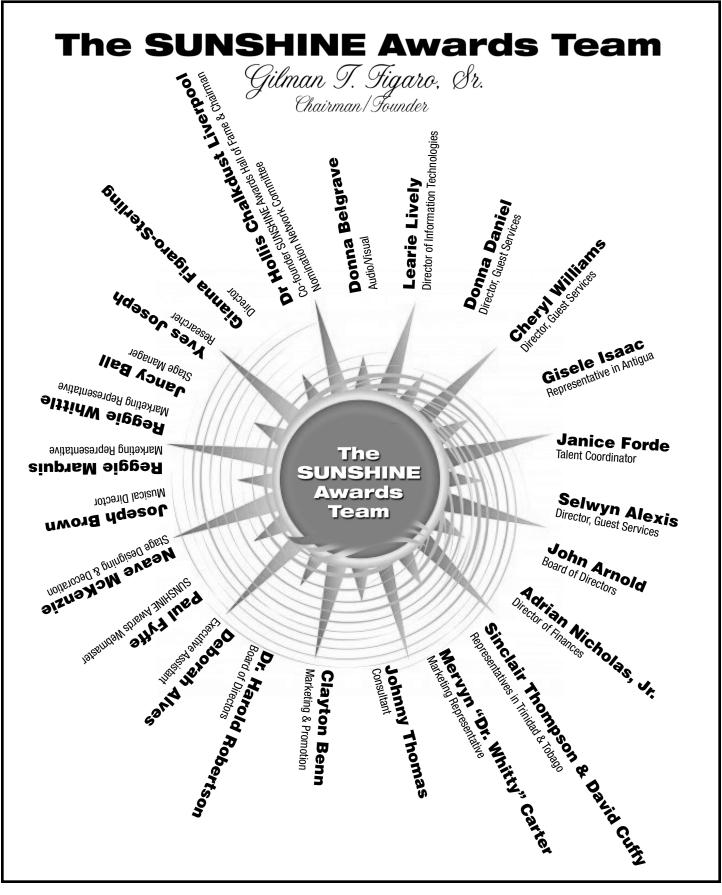
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