

# Charles Washington CV

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*"I see my life as a large canvas of opportunity, so each day I create a masterpiece. My art expresses my feelings about my life and the world around me"*

## Interactive Sculpture Gardens/ Gallery Spaces

### **The Pop Up Place #2 - Visionary/ Creator/ Founder**

**November 2018 - Present**

The Pop Up Place #2 is a mini- venue gallery located at Mixed Emotions Art Gallery in Midtown Houston.

### **The Pop Up Place - Visionary/ Creator/ Founder**

**October 2017 - Present**

The Pop Up Place is the main venue of Harambee Art Gallery. It is located off Houston's historic Almeda Road. It is a laboratory for the creative mind, an open air eclectic space for creative activities, art exhibitions, live performances, spoken word, music and more!

### **Harambee Art Gallery - Executive Director/Co-founder**

**2011 - Present**

Harambee Art Gallery is a green fine art gallery focused on advancing environmental art by promoting the use of recycled materials in art and design. Located downtown, in the HTV offices of Houston City Hall, at 901 Bagby Street, with additional locations in the historical Houston Area Urban League building at 1301 Texas Avenue and the SHAPE Community Center Harambee building at 3903 Almeda Road, in Midtown Houston, the gallery houses a full array of original paintings, sculptures, multi-media artwork and art furniture.

## Projects/ Exhibitions

### **October 2018 - H.E.ART Houston's Elite ART Exhibit & Auction - Altharetta Yeargin Art Museum**

Thirty of Houston's most renown artists all under one roof. Each artist generously donated a piece of work for the auction with a percentage of the proceeds benefiting the Museum. The exhibit and auction remain open thru November 3, 2018

### **September 2018 - C-STEM Free Little Library Public Art Project**

The Little Library is a take-a-book, leave-a-book project for students, teachers and parents unveiled at C-STEM Houston Headquarters. The public art piece also helps bridge the digital divide, providing FREE WiFi up to 100 feet for up to 75 devices at one time.

### **August 2018 - BTWHS Golden Eagle, A Legacy Project - Booker T. Washington High School**

Commissioned restorative sculpture project for the 125 Anniversary of the historic school.

**February 2018 - Un-Cross Talk Preview Concert #2 - Harambee Art Gallery**

Harambee Art Gallery presents the incredible Jacqui Sutton's mini concert Frontier Jazz by Jacqui Sutton | Jazzgrass Chic at Mixed Emotions Fine Art & Frame gallery. Live performance. Music. Literary excerpts.

**May 2017 - Harambee Art Gallery & HTV Present: CAREER & AVOCATION - Emerging Artists Tell Their Stories - Harambee Art Gallery**

Eighteen Houston Artists at various stages in their artistic development, share their artwork and the stories of how their passion for visual art emerged amidst the demands and challenges of earning a living while finding time and space for a creative pursuit.

**December 2016 - Houston Women Artists on the Creative Path - Harambee Art Gallery Exhibition**

Harambee Art Gallery hosts an exhibition featuring all female artists including Anat Ronen, Amenah Khalil- Keshari, Laura Spector, and more...

**2016 - EARTH - Art Exhibition - Houston City Hall**

Harambee Art Gallery EARTH Exhibition features Ten Houston artists expressing their thoughts about our planet and our responsibility to be good stewards of Earth.

**January 2016 - Jazz Brunch Series Kickoff - Harambee Art Gallery**

Harambee Art Gallery hosts a brunch, art, and music series at Houston Area Urban League located in downtown Houston. Each event showcases Houston talent along with visual art curated by Harambee Art Gallery.

**April 2015 - The Jazz Corner / Katy Jazz Festival - ARTkaty**

CAM Fort Bend hosts an artist reception celebrating the artist Charles Washington featuring an outdoor jazz concert with the Houston sounds of Ronnie Coleman Jr.

**October 2014 - The Art of Charles Washington - ENJOYMUSIC ENJOYLIFE Exhibition**

Featuring the musical art of visionary environmental artist Charles Washington with musical guest Tony Henry. A portion of the proceeds benefit Jazz Education Inc., a non profit organization enriching the lives of Houston area youth with music education and performance.

**2013 - Open the Door - Collaboration with the Texan French Art Alliance (TFAA)**

A door is as part of the Texan French Alliance for the Arts (TFAA), Open the Door project, as a monument to Lightnin' Hopkins and the blues and jazz musicians who represent the spirit of greatness and talent that characterizes the Third Ward community. The door is displayed as public art on Dowling Street (now Emancipation Avenue) in 2013.

**April 2013 - Houston Annual Art Car Parade - Bull Shirts Collaboration**

A 1993 Classic Cadillac, 60 Special wins at the Annual Parade that highlights Jazz Legends called 'Classy Red'

**April 2012 - Houston Annual Art Car Parade - Bull Shirts Collaboration**

IBuick Century Oldsmobile wins at the Annual Parade that highlights Blues Legends called 'the Blues Mobile'

**October 2011 – March 2012 - What's in a Door? - Project Row Houses Round 35**

Seven of the original row houses on Holman Street are dedicated art spaces, hosting unique, interactive installations by artists from around the world.

**2008 - What's in a Door? - Project Launch**

The artist embarks on a journey of designing and showcasing 1K recycled and upcycled doors as a cultural phenomenon and to stimulate discussion on history, music, and a variety of topics that impact our community and the World.

**Print Publications & Online Media**

**October 2018 - CityBook Magazine**

Print Publication/ Artist Highlight

**June 2018 - Fotoshoot Magazine**

Online Publication- Page 28/ Environmental Artist Feature

**December 2016 - Crossroads- Community Highlight w Melanie Lawson - ABC 13**

Video Feature- Melanie Lawson, ABC 13, interviews the founders of Harambee Art Gallery

**April 2015- Art Car Creator Pays Tribute to the Flower Man - Houston Chronicle**

Artist Illustrates the spirit of Houston's alternate culture

**2015 - Charles Washington, Artist - Making the Change**

Video Feature by Abiiba Howell

**March 2015 - Spotlight Houston: Charles Washington - Houston Television (HTV)**

Video profile on Charles Washington. An artist. A sculptor. A thinker.

**February 2015 - Charles Washington draws inspiration from life for artwork - CW39**

Interview & Video Feature

**May 2013 - Faces of Black Houston - Defender Network**

Video Feature/ Editorial Written by Tiffany L. Williams

**2012 - Environmental Artist Charles Washington - CW39 Creative Vault**

Video Feature

**Awards**

**2013- Houston Annual Art Car Parade**

**2012- Houston Annual Art Car Parade- first time entry Second Place**



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