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The Wilson High School Concert Choir

The Wilson High School Concert Choir has performed extensively throughout the metropolitan Washington, DC area for many years. Ms. Lori Williams, music educator and independent jazz recording artist, directs the choir.

Lori Williams

Lori Williams is the lead vocalist of the Washington-based jazz ensemble -Lori Williams & Friends - and featured vocalist on The Saltman Knowles Group, The Blackbyrds, Allyn Johnson and Divine Order, Sherry Winston and Collaboration CDs. She has taught Music in Washington, DC Public Schools since 1995 and currently serves as the Director of Vocal Music at Wilson Senior High School. Lori has performed with a number of nationally-known recording artists and has released two albums, *Healing Within* in 2010 and *Eclipse of the Soul* in 2012.

Lori was recognized as an outstanding Music Teacher in the October 2000 issue of Teaching Music magazine. She was also recognized as a 2005-2006 National Honor Roll's Outstanding American Teacher. She was the recipient of the 2007 Superintendent's Arts Teacher of the Year Award. Lori was also honored at the Mayor's Arts Awards, held at the John F. Kennedy Center. This award was given on behalf of the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, DC Public Schools, and the DC Arts. Additionally, Lori was the 2010 Vincent E. Reed Teacher of the Year.

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