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## Introducing the AFM Local 47 Lifetime Achievement Awards

Kickoff event to recognize esteemed members of the Los Angeles musicians union

LOS ANGELES, CA (APRIL 10, 2017) — The American Federation of Musicians Local 47 is pleased to introduce the first AFM Local 47 Lifetime Achievement Awards honoring esteemed members of the Los Angeles musicians union.

Celebrated musicians Gene Cipriano (woodwinds), Vincent DeRosa (horn), Louise DiTullio (flute), Carol Kaye (electric bass), and Dick Nash (trombone) will be recognized on the evening of April 24 for their outstanding achievements and support of the artistic community of Los Angeles.

This kickoff event is the first of many planned future ceremonies that will recognize esteemed members of the Los Angeles musicians union.

"The efforts of everyday working musicians who have created a meaningful and lasting impact on the artistic community are largely unknown to those outside of the music world," said AFM Local 47 President John Acosta. "Too often, these wonderfully talented artists remain unsung heroes. We are excited to begin this new tradition shedding a public spotlight in recognition of these most deserving musicians."

The awards ceremony takes place Monday, April 24 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the AFM Local 47 Serena Kay & Earl Williams Auditorium, 817 Vine St. in Los Angeles. Admission is free and open to the public. Doors will open at 6 p.m. Guests will enjoy live jazz, and refreshments will be available from the Burnt To A Crisp Texas Smokehouse from 6-8 p.m.

Additional information about the honorees and a link to RSVP may be found at <u>www.afm47.org/lifetimeawards</u>.

**About AFM Local 47** - Local 47 is a labor organization formed by and for musicians over a century ago that promotes and protects the concerns of over 7,000 musicians throughout the greater Los Angeles area in all facets of the music business. Local 47 is affiliated with the American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada, the largest organization in the world representing the interests of 85,000 professional musicians.

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