

# Merge Awards To David E. Talbert, Andra Day, Lemuel Plummer, Tabitha Brown, Tasha Cobbs Leonard, Ayo Davis, Toni Braxton

*Dr. Holly Carter, Robi Reed, and Traci Blackwell, Recognize 2024 Award Recipients at Merge Awards Presented by Walt Disney World Resort*

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, November 15, 2024 / EINPresswire.com/ -- [Dr. Holly Carter](#) (EP Hulu's Dress My Tour), Robi Reed (SVP, Talent and Casting Original Programming, BET), and Traci Blackwell (Head of Targeted Content Amazon MGM Studios) hosted the 2024 [Merge Summit](#) with the Merge Awards' host duties provided by Producer and New York Times best-selling Author, DeVon Franklin, Saturday afternoon, November 2nd, 2024, 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, in Beverly Hills, CA.

The 14th annual Merge Awards, presented by [Walt Disney World Resort](#) in collaboration with Sony Music Publishing, AIDS Healthcare Foundation, MergeTV Network, Mielle Organics, and the Zeus Network recognizes those individuals making significant contributions toward merging faith and entertainment within their respective fields, with this year's theme being "Commanding The Moment!"



Merge Awards 2024 Honorees (l to r) Lemuel Plummer, Andra Day, David E. Talbert, Tabitha Brown, Tasha Cobbs Leonard, Ayo Davis



Merge Awards Co-Founders and Co-Chair Dr. Holly Carter, Robi Reed and Traci Blackwell

The 2024 awards and honorees are:

Legacy Award to David E. Talbert - Playwright, Filmmaker, Author

Leadership Award to Ayo Davis - President, Disney Branded Television

Trailblazer Award to Tabitha Brown - Emmy Award-Winner, Host, Actress

Rose Award to Toni Braxton - Grammy Award-Winner, Singer, Songwriter and Actress, accepted by rap legend MC Lyte

Merge Disruptor Award to Lemuel Plummer - CEO of The Zeus Network

Entertainer of the Year Award to Andra Day - Golden Globe and Grammy Award-Winning Singer and Actress

Artist of the Year Award to Tasha Cobbs Leonard - Grammy Award-Winner, Singer and Songwriter

Along with special guests actress Paula Patton, comedian and radio host Nick Cannon, and Academy Award-nominated director Lee Daniels.



Merge Awards 2024 Special Guest Host, DeVon Franklin

Special guests and presenters attending were singer, songwriter Major, comedian Kym Whitley, EVP and Head of Original Programming, BET, Connie Orlando, Pastor Wayne Chaney Jr., Creative Director Laurieann Gibson, First Lady Loretta Jones, actress Paula Patton, actress KJ Smith, actor Skyh Black, influencer Chance Brown, actor Nic Few, actress Devika Parikh, actress Edwina Findley, music producer Kenneth Leonard, Producer Rueben Cannon, Academy Award-nominated director Lee Daniels and more.

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Presenters and honorees were provided exclusive, VIP gift bags courtesy of the Walt Disney World Resort, Lemaj Raymon Luxury Collection, Donna's Recipe, Sunshine de lites, Lady Cole, Rucker Roots, and Simone I. Smith.

The charitable organization Freedom of Spirit, (a 501c3) which serves the underserved and unhoused, in the greater Los Angeles area, is a Merge Summit beneficiary.

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