



The Kansas African American Museum

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### **TKAAM Announces Hon. Julie A. Robinson 2021 Trailblazer**

*TKAAM presents 2021 Trailblazer Awards in Broadcast streaming event*

**Wichita, KS (Nov. 4, 2021)** Hon. Julie A. Robinson, US District Court, Kansas District, will be inducted into The Kansas African American Museum (TKAAM) 2021 Trailblazers Hall of Fame. The *Law/Legal Trailblazer* is one of five leaders with Kansas connections The Museum recognizes for their determination and triumphs.

Judge Robinson holds a journalism degree from University of Kansas (KU) and is a graduate of the KU School of Law. In 2001, Judge Robinson was appointed to the United States District Court for the District of Kansas, thus making her the first African American woman to be appointed as a U. S. District Judge in Kansas.

TKAAM will present the awards this weekend in a broadcast streaming event—*2021 A Tribute to Trailblazers Hall of Fame*. The program premieres Saturday, Nov. 6 at 7 PM streaming from [TKAAMuseum.org/Trailblazers2021](http://TKAAMuseum.org/Trailblazers2021). The program also broadcasts from several stations statewide. The Wichita broadcast market can tune in to The CW, KSCW TV 33 (Cox Cable channel 5) at 7 pm for the premiere and rebroadcast on KWCH TV 12 (check local listings) at 10:35 PM. The Kansas City broadcast market can watch on MyNet at 7 pm and on KCTV at 11:05 pm. Topeka will broadcast at 10:35 pm on WIBW TV 13

“Trailblazers help tell the story of the significant contributions African Americans make in our community and the world at large. Each inspires others to forge their own paths and to strive for excellence.” Denise Sherman, TKAAM Executive Director explained “A Trailblazer is a leader, a pacesetter, a pioneer, and each year TKAAM has honorary categories for individuals who have made a remarkable impact in their respective arena.”

“This outstanding slate of honorees spreads TKAAM’s spotlight across the state and around the world,” said TKAAM Board of Directors President, Ted D. Ayres. “They all impact Kansas lives with local, national and international significance and The Kansas African American Museum takes pleasure in recognizing, honoring and saluting the achievements, accomplishments and contributions of these 2021 Trailblazers.”

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Cox Business is The Presenting Sponsor for the event themed – *Resilience, Respect, Resound ... the Journey Forward* TKAAM encourages its family, friends and supporters to host socially-distanced “Watch Parties” in honor of these inspiring pacesetters and pioneers. To set the tone for the parties, The Museum has a 2021 Trailblazer music playlist of Kansas artists and two commemorative party packs more information is available by calling TKAAM (316) 262-7651 or visiting The Museum’s website: [TKAAMuseum.org/2021](https://TKAAMuseum.org/2021).

*The Kansas African American Museum*, 601 N. Water ([TKAAMuseum.org](https://TKAAMuseum.org)) is open Tuesday - Friday, 10 AM-5 PM & Saturdays 12-4 PM validated parking in garage across the street with paid admission. Admission: Adults \$6; Seniors (55+) \$5; Youth (Grades 6-12) \$4; Children (Grades k-5) \$3; Children under 5 FREE. The Kansas African American Museum endeavors to make the African American experience resonant to EVERY Kansan. **The Kansas African American Museum** is funded in part by Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita.

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