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## Last Week was a long one!

I spent a lot of time watching sports last week which made it a very long week. It seems that everything was happening that week. Serena Williams was trying to win the

U. S. Open Tennis tournament, Tiger Woods was trying to win his first tournament in many years, U. T. was trying to recover from their first loss of the season, and the NFL kicked off its season on Thursday night with the Cowboys and the Texans playing their first game.

I am sure that by now, you know the outcome of the events that I mentioned. But UT was the only one of the events mentioned that had the desired outcome by winning their game. None the less, it was a great weekend for sports fans. The week included something for everyone.

This week we will not have Golf and Tennis, but it will be a full weekend. UT will be facing USC again for bragging rights. USC reports that they have a 5 and 0 record against UT. However, they do not count the game that Texas won to win the National Championship. However, they have to include it in a footnote in their brochure. USC had to take some wins off of their record because of some violations that were uncovered. However, they have to mention their loss to UT in a permanent footnote.

UT is 1 and 1 for the season and looking for a winning season. This is the second year since the school released Charlie Strong as head football coach. New coach Tom Herman is looking for his first winning season at UT.

## THE ACADEMY TO HONOR CICELY TYSON AT 2018 GOVERNORS AWARDS

By Naomi Richard  
VILLAGER Contributor

(VILLAGER NEWS) - The Board of Governors of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences voted Tuesday night (September 4) to present Honorary Awards to actress Cicely Tyson, publicist Marvin Levy, composer Lalo Schifrin and the Irving G. Thalberg Memorial Award to producers Kathleen Kennedy and Frank Marshall. The three Oscar® statuettes and Thalberg Award will be presented at the Academy's 10th Annual Governors Awards on Sunday, November 18, at the Ray Dolby Ballroom at Hollywood & Highland Center®.

"Choosing the honorees for its awards each year is the happiest of all the Board of Governors' work. And this year, its selection of five iconic artists was made with universal acclaim by the Academy's 54 spirited governors," said Academy President John Bailey.

Raised in Harlem, Tyson began her career as a model and a theater actress, appearing both on Broadway and Off-Broadway. After playing small roles in feature films and television, she was cast as Portia in "The Heart Is a Lonely



Film Executive Tyler Perry joins esteemed actress Cicely Tyson during her Hand-and-Footprint Ceremony at the TCL Chinese Theatre April 27, 2018 in Hollywood. Photo by Earl Gibson.

Hunter" in 1968. Four years later, she received an Academy Award® nomination for her leading performance in "Sounder." Her other notable film credits include "The River Niger," "Fried Green Tomatoes," "Diary of a Mad Black Woman," "The Help," "Alex Cross" and "Last Flag Flying."

In addition to this highly significant honor, Turner Classic honored the legendary actress and activist with an official hand-and-footprint

ceremony at the TCL Chinese Theater in Hollywood on April 27, 2018. Many stars were on hand for the auspicious occasion including Irving Movie Mogul Tyler Perry. Tyson is also the recipient of honors by the NAACP, the Kennedy Center and in 2016 she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom.

The Academy's Honorary Award, an Oscar statuette, is given "to honor extraordinary distinction in lifetime achieve-

ment, exceptional contributions to the state of motion picture arts and sciences, or for outstanding service to the Academy." The Irving G. Thalberg Memorial Award, a bust of the motion picture executive, is presented to creative producers "whose body of work reflects a consistently high quality of motion picture production."

We salute this giant of an actress and pillar in the African American community.

## Attorneys for Botham Jean's family Criticize Affidavit in Dallas Shooting

By The Associated Press

(DALLAS, TX) -

Attorneys for the family of a Black man who was shot and killed by a White Dallas police officer who says she mistook his apartment for hers are criticizing an affidavit that gives a narrative of what happened.

The lawyers said the arrest affidavit released Monday contradicts neighbors' accounts. Amid their concerns, though, the district attorney said the case against Amber Guyger will get a hard

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Brandt Jean, center left, brother of shooting victim Botham Jean, hugs his sister Allisa Charles-Findley, during a news conference in Dallas. He was joined by his mother, Allison Jean, second from left, and attorney Benjamin Crump, second from right, as attorney Lee Merritt, right, speaks to the media. (Tom Fox/The Dallas Morning News via AP)

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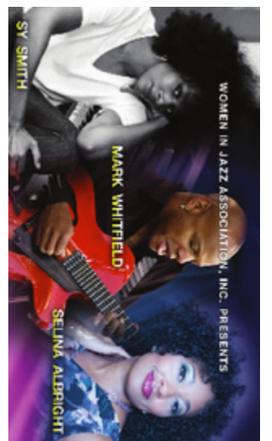
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WIJ presents: September Songs! "An Exquisite Jazz Experience at the Crowne"



(AUSTIN, TX) -

Women in Jazz presents: September Songs! featuring Sy Smith, Mark Whitfield, & Selina Albright - "An Exquisite Jazz Experience at the Crowne" on Sunday, September 30, 2018 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 6121 N Interstate Hwy 35, Austin, TX 78752. Showtime at 7:00 pm; Doors open at 6:00 pm.

This blend of jazz, go-go, neo-soul and jazz funk will be an evening to remember! Soaring vocals and rhythmic guitar will entertain and delight as these impressive musicians blend traditional and new sounds.

Tickets are available online at [womeninjazz.tix.com](http://womeninjazz.tix.com); Phone at 800-504-4849.

For more information: [womeninjazz.org](http://womeninjazz.org) or call 512-258-6947.