



SAL DUPREE
VOCAL & ACTING
COACH/PERFORMER
 Entertainment Award

"If you have any talent, that is God's gift to you. If you use that talent, that is your gift to God."

Sal Dupree is a nationally known veteran performer, vocal and acting coach and music producer. Born in Brooklyn, NY in 1944, Sal spent his younger years in foster homes throughout Camden, N.J. and Philadelphia, before moving to a Philadelphia orphanage, where he lived until he was 17. His upbringing ultimately led him to devote his life to encouraging young performers.

Dupree entered the music industry early. Beginning with Doo-Wop performances on the street corners of South Philadelphia, Dupree launched a lifelong career in music that has led him from Atlantic City to Las Vegas. He holds the record for longest-running act in the shore town's history (22 years) at Bally's, Taj Mahal, Golden Nugget & Tropicana.

In 1975, Dupree founded the Dupree Performing Arts Studio in Northfield, N.J. His guidance has led students to land key roles in some of Broadway's most popular musicals including *Annie*, *The Sound of Music*, *Peter Pan*, *Les Miserables* and *Beauty & the Beast*. Dupree also is credited with coaching Bianca Ryan, the 2006 winner of *America's Got Talent*.

Most recently, Dupree served as the inspiration for the movie musical *"Standing Ovation,"* a film showcasing local talent, where he also served as the film's Music Supervisor, Producer and featured actor/singer. We salute you, Sal Dupree, for encouraging our youth to follow their dreams.

Q&A

- Q. What was your first job?
 A. My first job was delivering sandwiches in Center City Philadelphia for a local restaurant.
- Q. Who was your best friend growing up?
 A. My sister, Yvonne Greenberg.
- Q. What is the best advice anyone gave you?
 A. Don't be afraid to change the direction of your life if you see that the direction you are taking will lead you to a stone wall.
- Q. What is the best advice you ever gave?
 A. Don't allow anyone to step inside your dreams. No one has that right!
- Q. What song from back in the day makes you smile as soon as you hear it?
 A. Oh My Papa. It was the song I had to sing for 10 years in the orphanage that helped to raise funds for the kids.
- Q. Please complete this sentence: On the road to success...
 A. You may be knocked down but you will also find the kindness of caring and love from real people that will lift you up and help you to eventually find your successes.

JAMES KENNEY
PHILADELPHIA CITY
COUNCILMAN-AT-LARGE
 Service to Community Award

City Councilman James Kenney is a lifelong South Philadelphia resident who has been proudly serving the city of Philadelphia since 1992. Councilman Kenney is a 1976 graduate of St. Joseph's Preparatory School and a 1980 graduate of LaSalle University.

Kenney's contributions to Philadelphia include positions as Chairman of the Legislative Oversight Committee, Committee of the Environment and the Committee on Public Property and Public Works. Kenney also is an integral member of community and civic groups including Friends of FDR Park, East Passyunk Business Improvement District, Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corporation, Mural Arts Advisory Board and the Mayor's Office of Community Service.

Councilman Kenney's open-door policy has encouraged generations of residents to discuss the issues impacting them on a daily basis. In 2009, Kenney responded by instituting the City's 311 Call Center – a service designed to track and address residents' concerns such as vacant property issues, street light outages and graffiti removal. In its first year, 311 received more than 1 million calls with a customer satisfaction rate of 89%. Philadelphia's 311 Call Center also was recognized worldwide by National Public Radio (NPR) and the International City Manager Association (ICMA).

Philadelphia RowHome Magazine salutes Councilman James Kenney for his service to our city of neighborhoods and his contributions on behalf of the individuals who live, work and enjoy all of the amenities of this culturally diverse, historically rich City of Brotherly Love.

Q&A

- Q. What was your first job?
 A. 1973. Dishwasher/ Bus Person at Luigi's Restaurant, 2nd & South.
- Q. Who was your best friend growing up?
 A. Not one particular but many friends.
- Q. What is the best advice anyone ever gave you?
 A. "Get up! You'll be late for work!" (My parents)
- Q. What is the best advice you ever gave?
 A. No good deed goes unpunished but do it anyway.
- Q. What song from back in the day makes you smile as soon as you hear it?
 A. TSOP- The Sound of Philadelphia (By MFSB- Mother, Father, Sister, Brother).
- Q. Please complete this sentence: On the road to success...
 A. Try to make others' lives better.