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Urban contemporary gospel and a traditional black gospel recording artist and singer David Daughtry of Los Angeles will headline the Gospel Greats of the Pacific Northwest concert coming Sept. 15 to the Highland Christian Center in northeast Portland.

The late Charlotte Marie Brandon, a beloved Gospel singer, mother and grandmother from Portland, will be honored posthumously and a special presentation will be made to the Brandon family when the Highland Christian Center hosts its fourth Gospel Greats of the Pacific Northwest Awards and Concert.

Celebrate Gospel Music

Highland concert to feature five new honorees

Get ready to hear some of the best Gospel singers of the Pacific Northwest as the Highland Christian Center in northeast Portland prepares to host its fourth Gospel Greats of the Pacific Northwest awards ceremony and concert.

Celebrating 150 years of Gospel music, the free and open to the public event will be held Saturday, Sept. 15 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the Highland Center Campus at 7600 N.E. Glisan St.

This year's honorees are Minister Keith Hunter, Sister Lessie Williams, Brother Joe Staples, Sister Jacqueline Hardy and posthumously, Mother Charlotte Brandon. Mother Brandon of Port-



Jacqueline Hardy

land passed away July 2 and a special presentation will be made to the Brandon family.

The concert will also be in special memory to Highland's late pastor, the Rev. Dr. W. G. Hardy Jr., who was a Gospel musician before entering the ministry and who dedicated Highland's Gospel Greats concerts to church musicians with the heart to serve regardless of title, recognition or compensation.

Williams of Portland said it meant so much to her last year when Pastor Hardy recommended that she be honored for her talents and ministry.

Honoree Jacqueline Hardy of Seattle said it was a privilege for her to carry the Good News of Jesus Christ through her music.

"I feel especially blessed to be chosen as one of the 2018 honorees," she said. "To God be the glory!"

Gospel singer David Daughtry of Los Angeles is headlining the concert. The Praise & Worship leader from the West Angeles Church of God In Christ will minister live, including his No. 1 hit "God is Great Leap." Also to perform will be Ministry is Gospel Great Derrick McDuffey and Kingdom Sound, the Highland Christian Center Mime Team and the Portland/Vancouver Chapter of the Gospel Music of America Choir.

This year's emcees are Pastor Thomas Hardy and Pastor April Murchinson. There will be a souvenir book for sale, red carpet photos, vendors and food for sale by Mayrene's Catering in the Fellowship Hall. Doors will open at 4 p.m. for a Red Carpet celebration.

For more information, call John Lampkin of 1st Option Media Solutions, the organizer for the event and a Highland church leader, at 971-801-4412.