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TULSA HALL OF FAME ANNOUNCES 40TH CLASS

Induction Ceremony Slated for October 5
Proceeds Preserve Tulsa History

April 2026 – The Museum of Tulsa History announces its 2026 inductees into the prestigious Tulsa Hall of Fame, celebrating unique contributions to our city.

KEN BUSBY – Non-profit leader and current CEO of the Route 66 Alliance.

REUBEN GANT – Football star and community servant. Helped create John Hope Franklin Reconciliation Park.

ELLIOT NELSON – Transformed the Downtown Tulsa dining landscape with McNellie's Group.

RODGER & JUDY RANDLE – He's a former mayor and senator; she promotes reading and literacy.

GAILARD SARTAIN – Late artist and star of TV and film, including *Hee Haw* and *Mississippi Burning*.

This class joins a distinguished group of Tulsans who have been inducted over the last 40 years. Their names will be forever etched alongside their peers in the Tulsa Hall of Fame inside the city's historic Sam Travis Mansion in Midtown. The induction ceremony serves as the largest annual fundraising event supporting the Museum of Tulsa History and its mission to preserve Tulsa's historic artifacts and share Tulsa's story.

WHO: Tulsa Hall of Fame Class of 2026

WHAT: 40th Induction Ceremony & Dinner

WHEN: Monday, October 5, 6 - 9pm

WHERE: Southern Hills Country Club

The event sells out each year. Visit tulsahistory.org for table sponsorship opportunities. Tulsa Hall of Fame members include historian and scholar John Hope Franklin, pioneers Cass A. and John D. Mayo, Holocaust survivor Eva Unterman and more. [Searchable list](#) available at tulsahistory.org.