

# Cross River Dialogue 2020 Dedications - *Seventh Candle:* *Evening of December 16*

Don't Mute DC is a "collective of cultural activists working tirelessly to amplify the voices of marginalized and displaced Washingtonians."

Go-Go Museum and Cafe provides an introduction to Go-Go music and culture from its headquarters in DC's Historic Anacostia, 1920 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave, SE.

Go-Go music is a brand of funk, R&B, hip-hop and Afro-Latin rhythms created in the 1970s by "Godfather of Go-Go" Chuck Brown and his Washington D.C. fans, "DC's own soundtrack." The Go-Go Museum & Cafe hosts live music and exhibits, mobile programs, and performances online and off-site.



<http://www.dontmutedc.com>  
<https://www.instagram.com/MakeGoGoForever/>  
<http://gogomuseumcafe.com/>

Make Go-Go Forever and Cross River Dialogue:

- Ronald Moten, along with Dr. Natalie Hopkinson, Howard University professor and author of the book, [Go-Go Live: The Musical Life and Death of a Chocolate City](#), is the force behind the Go-Go Museum and Cafe and much of the #DontMuteDC movement.
- Programming of We Act Radio, co-owned by Kymone Freeman, often focuses on the topics of gentrification and displacement and the station is a media partner in #DontMuteDC and Go-Go Forever efforts; see co-owner Kymone Freeman and "[Displacement Free Zone](#)"
- See also We Act Radio's "Community Thru Covid," hosted by Virginia Avniel Spatz, [Covid and Caste episode](#) featuring Dr. Hopkinson

## **Dedicate Time and Attention:**

Learn about Go-Go and its relationship to DC (start at [Museum and Cafe site](#))

See also [article](#): "Black Art, Black Joy and Black Resilience at the 2020 Go-Go Award."

Explore topics of displacement and gentrification with Kymone Freeman [on MixCloud](#) and We Act Radio's program "[Gentrification or Displacement](#)," hosted by Joseph Young.

**Online EVENT Dec 17, 7 p.m.**

Screening of the new documentary, "Go-Go City: Displacement and Protest in Washington DC" plus Performance by the legendary Back Yark Band

**Dedicate Funds:** Support these efforts with monetary donations and/or purchases.