

# District of Columbia

## Serving as early...

many prominent artists, musicians, and composers – such as John Philip Sousa, Duke Ellington, Roberta Flack, Henry Rollins, and Dave Grohl – D.C. has played an outsized part in the establishment of several genres, including jazz, rap, go-go, punk, and EDM. A major hub for the arts, D.C. is loaded with musical venues, from the iconic 9:30 Club to the Kennedy Center, home of the National Symphony Orchestra. And the Levine School, the D.C. Youth Orchestra Program, and many other D.C. institutions are undoubtedly turning out the next wave of musical influencers.

## Music Venues & Festivals

9:30 Club	Eighteenth Street Lounge
All Things Go Music Festival	Howard Theatre
Black Cat	Karma
Blues Alley	Lincoln Theatre
Bravo Bravo	National Theatre
Capital One Arena	Pearl Street Warehouse
City Winery DC	Pie Shop
D.C. Armory	RFK Memorial Stadium
DC Comedy Loft	Songbyrd Record Café and Music House
DC Improv Comedy Club	The Anthem
DC9 Nightclub	The Hamilton Live

**\$835.6M**

Music industry  
contribution to state GDP  
(Economists Inc.)

**4,336**

Jobs Supported  
(Economists Inc.)

**250**

Music Establishments  
(A2IM/Economists Inc./NIVA)

**829**

Royalty Recipients  
(SAG-AFTRA/SoundExchange)

**5,302**

Songwriters  
(ASCAP/BMI/GMR/SESAC)

DAR Constitution Hall

Dupont Underground

Echostage

The Kennedy Center

Union Stage

Warner Theatre

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## Notable Musicians

Bad Brains

Duke Ellington

Ginuwine

Marvin Gaye

Minor Threat

Wale