## **Thunder Soul**

A film celebrating a legendary Texas bandmaster opens in movie theaters across the nation this fall. **THUNDER SOUL** tells the story of Texas band leader and 2000 Texas Bandmaster Hall of Fame inductee, Conrad O. Johnson, and his leadership of the Houston Kashmere High School Stage Band in the 1970s.



Produced by Jamie Foxx, THUNDER SOUL follows the extraordinary alumni who return home after 35



years to play a tribute concert for the 92-year-old "Prof," their beloved band leader. Johnson broke the color barrier and transformed the school's struggling jazz band into a world-class funk powerhouse in the early 1970s.

The film is a powerful testament to the importance of arts education and its life long impact on students. It is also an exhilarating example of good teaching and the impact educators have in the classroom, school, and community at large.

**THUNDER SOUL** opens in movie theaters across the nation in October. For more, visit www.ThunderSoulMovie.com.

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