

The Wallace Ray Peppers Award in Performance of African and African-American Literature

This award was established in 1987 in honor of a professor in the Department of Communication Studies. His teaching in the field of African and African-American literature and personal influence and example inspired his students in academic and cultural endeavors. It is given annually to the junior or senior in that department who is judged by a faculty committee to be most outstanding in performance of African and African-American literature.

1988 – Elondust Patrick Johnson
1989 – Regina Yvette Carter
1990 – Sabrina Dawn Evans
1991 – Melissa Annette Wade
1992 – Charles Delton Streeter
1993 – Brian Keith Britt
1994 – Corey Charles Sturdivant and April Colette Turner
1995 – Trevor Jermaine Johnson and Phillip O'Brian Metcalf
1996 – Jasme Rene Kelly and George Donald Gaffney
1997 – Award Not Given
1998 – Kimberly Joy Gray
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2000 – not given
2001-Marcus Donte' Harvey
2002-Thurston Gerard Cherry
2003-Katrina Latisha Harper