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## Trumpeter Marcus Belgrave wins \$50,000 prize

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Detroit jazz legend, trumpeter Marcus Belgrave, has been named the 2009 Eminent Artist by the Troy-based Kresge Foundation. The award comes with a one-year stipend of \$50,000.

Belgrave, who's played with everyone from Miles Davis to Aretha Franklin, has also performed around the world on behalf of the U.S. government. In 2008, the city of Detroit named Belgrave Jazz Master Laureate.

The Eminent Artist award recognizes artistic accomplishment of the highest order, with a particular eye for those individuals who have been generous in mentoring the next generation.

"Marcus is a remarkably multi-faceted representative of the arts community," says Kresge president Rip Rapson, "precisely what you'd want an ambassador from Detroit to be."

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