



RENITA MARTIN

Blues & Gospel Piano · Vocalist · Songwriter & Theatre Artist

KENNEDY CENTER PERFORMER

THREE-TIME TELLY AWARD WINNER

BESTSELLING AUTHOR

PROFESSIONAL RECORDING ACADEMY MEMBER

“Renita Martin doesn’t just play the blues — she lives inside the music.”

THE ARTIST

A gospel and blues pianist with roots deep in Terry, Mississippi, Renita Martin's voice and keys have graced the Kennedy Center, Harvard University, and the United Nations. With 33+ years of professional artistry spanning theater, music, film, and poetry, she brings rigorous craft and profound emotional depth to every performance.

Her performances weave original blues and gospel compositions with soulful standards — a piano-vocal experience that transforms any room into a sanctuary. She commands the stage with the quiet authority of someone who has spent decades living inside the tradition.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

PERFORMANCE & AWARDS

Kennedy Center Performer; Three-Time Telly Award Winner (2013, 2023, 2026); Grammy-Considered; SAG-AFTRA & Actors' Equity Association.

LEADERSHIP

Founder & CEO of Rhythm Visions Production Company (30+ years).

PUBLISHING

Amazon #1 Bestselling Author, *It Is the Seeing* (2021); Published Playwright, *Shotgun Wedding* (Concord Theatricals / Samuel French).

EDUCATION

MFA, Brandeis University; MA Audio Technology, American University; Tougaloo College alumna; DC Blues Society.

PERFORMANCE DETAILS

FORMAT

Solo piano & vocals (Trio available)

GENRE

Blues, Gospel, Soul, Jazz-inflected originals

SETS

45–60 min sets (2–3 sets available)

KEYS / SETUP

Korg Kronos or house grand piano

TERRITORY

DC, Maryland, Virginia — regional, national & international travel available

MUSIC & UPCOMING

- “Gift of Love” — Grammy-Considered, 18,000+ views (feat. Daniel Alexander Jones & Tiffanie Cross)
- “These Hands” (feat. Frenchie Davis & Nitanju Bolade Casel)
- Upcoming: *Standing on Business* — Visual Album, Grammy Submission Sept. 2026

IDEAL VENUES

- Jazz & blues supper clubs
- Hotel lounges & lobby bars
- Arts & cultural institutions
- Colleges & universities
- Private events
- Corporate galas & receptions
- Blues & roots music festivals
- Intimate listening rooms

BOOKING & CONTACT

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