

Rashod Ollison Memorial Scholarship



The Rashod Ollison Memorial Scholarship Fund has been founded to support Arkansas high school minorities who are interested in pursuing a college education at UCA or U of A, Fayetteville with majors in journalism, creative writing and African-American studies. Currently, the scholarship is \$1000 for one year.

Rashod Ollison (1977-2018) was an award-winning pop music critic and culture journalist. He was a staff critic and feature writer for the *Dallas Morning News*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *Journal News* (Westchester, New York), *Baltimore Sun* and *Virginian Pilot*. He also wrote a music column for *Jet* magazine. In 2016, Ollison published *Soul Serenade: Coming of Age Through Vinyl*, his critically-acclaimed story of growing up in Central Arkansas, influenced by his family's love of R&B music, which has already gone into a second printing from Beacon Press. A native of Little Rock, Arkansas, Ollison lived in Virginia Beach and passed away in 2018.

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