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**Trinity University's Payden Academic Center Receives
January 2017 Location of the Month Distinction**

*Trinity Washington University's newest facility provides a great location for
filming forensic, science and medical non-fiction or dramatic content*

Washington, DC – The Office of Cable Television, Film, Music and Entertainment (OCTFME) recognizes the Payden Academic Center as the January 2017 Location of the Month.

The **Payden Academic Center** is a new education facility on the campus of Trinity Washington University in the Edgewood neighborhood of Ward 5. The facility features state-of-the-art science and nursing labs, light-filled classrooms and inviting study spaces. The Payden Academic Center is also Trinity's first Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certified building, and meets ADA Accessible Guidelines (ADAAG). The building was dedicated in June 2016 at a ceremony with Mayor Muriel Bowser in attendance.

The Payden Academic Center consists of four levels, with labs on one side and classrooms on the other side, designed to foster collaboration across the academic disciplines at both the undergraduate and graduate level. The facility offers media producers filming science or forensic subject matter a wide range of location options that include 8 science laboratories that specialize in the following disciplines: anatomy and physiology, general biology, physics, introductory and advanced chemistry, cellular/molecular and microbiology. Additionally, filmmakers seeking to capture true health care scenes can utilize one of the two nursing skills laboratories, two nursing simulation labs, a clinical nursing and counseling suite with six exam and



interview rooms, or the health assessment lab.

Other potential location offerings in Trinity's Payden Academic Center include 23 classrooms of varying sizes, including two large tiered classrooms and seminar rooms; faculty offices; conference rooms; study spaces; and a spacious, light-filled lobby. Each lab and classroom is a "smart room" with advanced technology features. The building's exterior is a modern rendition of classic, academic architecture.

Additionally, the wider Trinity Washington University campus features other potential locations for filming to be considered, including iconic academic buildings, an historic chapel and a modern athletic center with a basketball arena and pool. Founded in 1897, Trinity's beautiful campus in northeast Washington, dotted with magnolias and statues of saints, offers a unique, picturesque tableau for creatives to use as a filming backdrop. Trinity is minutes from downtown and Capitol Hill, and offers a corporate housing unit perfect for temporary housing or production office space for visiting or large-scale productions.

An on-site facility manager is available to answer any questions about the space, its features and any usage restrictions.

To learn more about the Payden Academic Center and to view photos of the location, please visit the [Location of the Month](#) page on the OCTFME website. If you are interested in using the Payden Academic Center or Trinity's campus as a filming location, please contact us at film@dc.gov.

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The "Location of the Month" initiative is part of OCTFME's mission to market and support District locales as media production locations, and to bring attention to the wide range of cinematically compelling locations that are available to film and television productions.

Do you have a business or location you would like to have featured as OCTFME's "Location of the Month"? If so, please forward your inquiry to film@dc.gov.



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About OCTFME

The District of Columbia Office of Cable Television, Film, Music & Entertainment (OCTFME) is responsible for implementing, managing, and administering programs, initiatives, and services that support media industry economic activity, growth, and employment in the District of Columbia.

Washington, DC's instantly recognizable landmarks, diverse neighborhoods, cultural amenities, and first-class accommodations are just some of the many features that make the nation's capital a venue of choice for media production. For more information, contact the Office of Cable Television, Film, Music & Entertainment at (202) 727-6608, visit us on the web at <http://film.dc.gov>, join the DC Film community on <http://www.facebook.com/EntertainDC>, or follow us on http://twitter.com/Entertain_DC.

