

IT'S OUR SILVER ANNIVERSARY!

Muses turns 25 this year and we want to take this opportunity to give extra thanks to everyone who has made our parade happen. This has been a labor of love for the volunteering sisters in our krewe who dedicate endless hours to making our parade roll and outdoing ourselves year after year. Great love goes out to the talented artists and sculptors who have brought our parade vision to life. A special appreciation for the Superheroes in the NOPD, NOFD, EMS and City of New Orleans who keep Mardi Gras rolling safely. And for all of you who have come to the route year after year, through cold and rain and perfect nights, we love your enthusiastic cheers that have inspired us for a quarter of a century. Time sure flies when you're having fun!

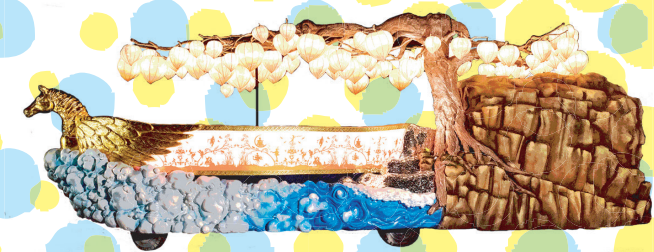
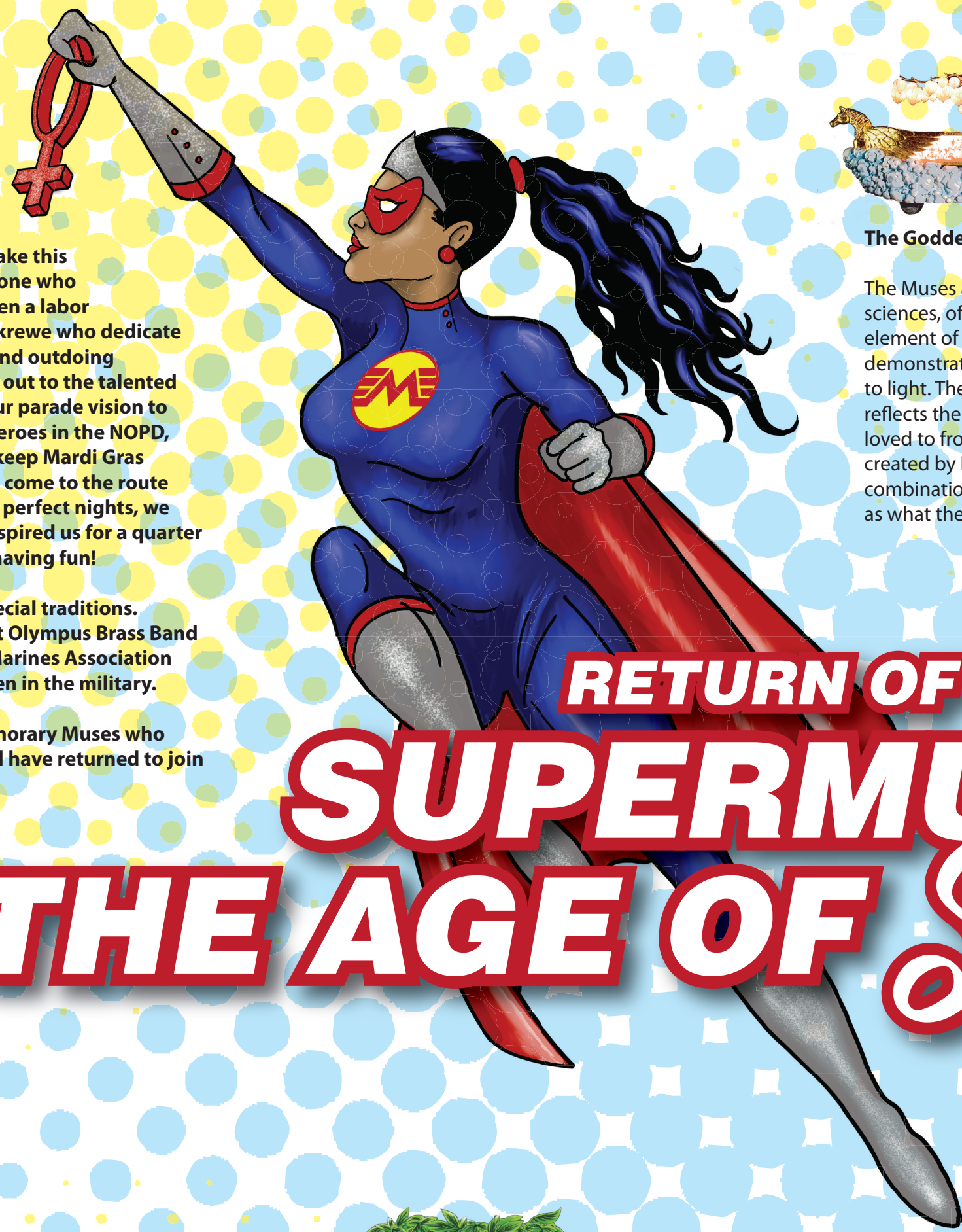
Not pictured among our floats are two special traditions. Coolbone has ridden with us as the Mount Olympus Brass Band for 25 years. The Molly Marines, Women Marines Association members, ride with us as a salute to women in the military.

We also pay tribute to the exceptional Honorary Muses who have led our procession each year. Several have returned to join us for this 25th anniversary celebration.

- Margaret Orr 2024
- Irma Thomas 2023
- Swin Cash 2022
- Jennifer Coolidge 2020
- Patricia Clarkson 2019 and 2012
- LaToya Cantrell 2018
- Tamron Hall 2017
- Solange Knowles 2016
- Sue Zemanick 2015
- Julia Reed* 2014
- Ruby Bridges 2013
- Liz McCartney 2011
- Mary Matalin 2010
- Kimberly Rivers Roberts 2009
- Marva Wright* 2008
- Brenda Marie Osbey 2007
- Becky Zaheri 2006
- Charmaine Neville 2005
- Becky Allen 2004
- Maria Giacobbe* 2003
- Cherice "Queen Reesie" Harrison-Nelson 2002

* In memoriam

RETURN OF SUPERMUSE THE AGE OF SHEROES



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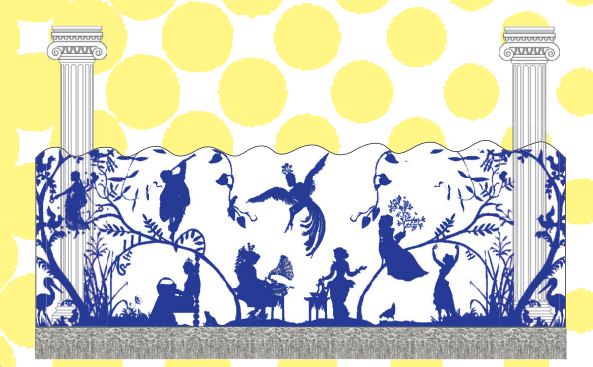
The Muses are patrons of the arts and sciences, of knowledge. Almost every element of this float is illuminated to demonstrate how knowledge brings things to light. The waterfall is mirrored and reflects the crowd as well as light. The Muses loved to frolic on Mt. Helicon in the springs created by Pegasus' hooves. This float is a combination of the origins of Muses as well as what they represent. Introduced in 2018.



Honorary Muses 2025 — Rutina Wesley

The Muses Shoe carries the Honorary Muse, a woman who inspires our Krewe and our community. Introduced in 2004.

Our 2025 Honorary Muse is actress **Rutina Wesley**, star of filmed-in-Louisiana classics Queen Sugar and True Blood.



Muses to the Muses

They are our Sheroes, the women who inspire us – the real super heroines of our community, our **Culture Bearers**. This float has been made possible with a grant provided by the New Orleans Tourism and Cultural Fund.

Katrina Andry, widely acknowledged to have reached mastery in woodcutting printmaking.

Ms. Linda Green, culinary icon known as the "Ya-Ka-Mein Lady."

Givonna Joseph, founder and artistic director of the award-winning OperaCréole.

Doreen Ketchens, world-renowned clarinetist, aka "Miss Satchmo & The Female Louis Armstrong."

Monique Lorde, award-winning published author and versatile artist.

Stella Chase Reese, president of Dooky Chase's Restaurant Corporation and the Edgar and Leah Chase Foundation & an Honorary Imagineer with Walt Disney, Co.

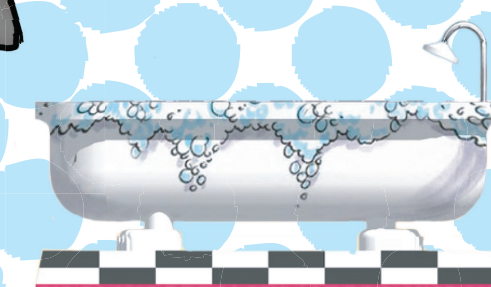
DJ Soul Sister, internationally known DJ, vinyl collector and veteran WWOZ-FM volunteer show host.

Queen Tahj, New Orleans Mardi Gras Indian of the Golden Eagles Tribe, designer of the Super Bowl LIX logo.



Birthday Cake/Happy are They Whom the Muses Love

The Muses Old Officers Float (aka the MOOF) has earned a coveted spot in the parade, and our hearts. No, the riders are not old, the float is.



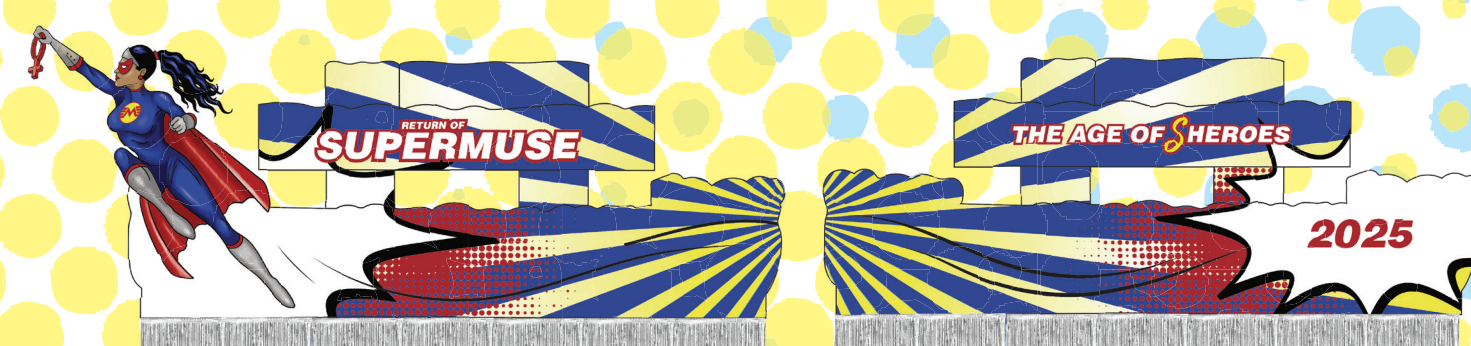
Bathtub

The Bathing Muses hit the avenue each year for some good, clean fun! Introduced in 2004.



Mamma Duck and Duckies

Make way for Muses' Mama Duck and Baby Duckies. Introduced in 2017.



#9 Title Float: Return of SuperMuse – The Age of Sheroes 2025

She's back...after nearly twenty years away, SuperMuse has returned to New Orleans to once again save our city. She's brought some super friends, because with all the new villains out there, she'll need all the help she can get! *Welcome to the Age of Sheroes!*



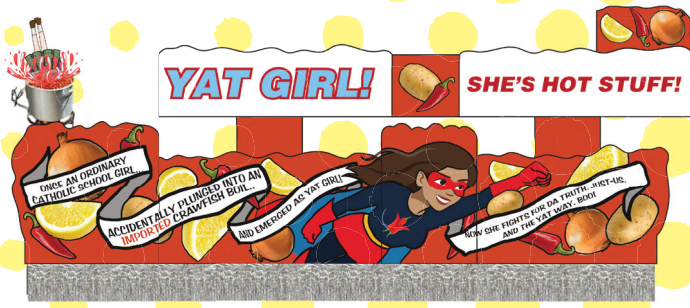
#10 The Origin of SuperMuse

Nola Rising came home after Hurricane Katrina and opened her rotten, flooded refrigerator, thinking "How bad could it be?" We all know the answer to that! The volatile combination of spoiled milk, champagne, old Chinese food, nail polish and baking soda exploded, giving her superpowers and the mission to Save New Orleans!



#11 The Black and Gold Widow

She protects a long list of Louisiana charities, even when she is not backed up by her army of athletes. Her generosity is her Superpower!



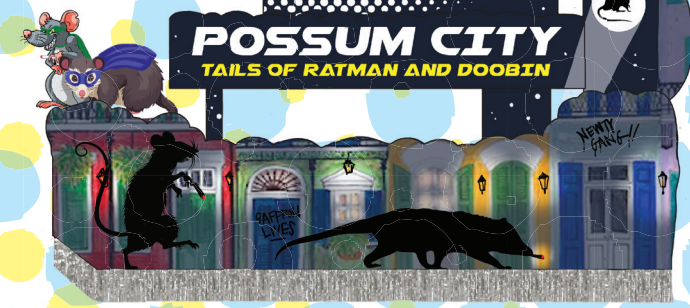
#12 Yat Girl

When our average Catholic NOLA school girl fell headfirst into a pot filled with hot, spicy boiling imported crawfish - Kapoweeee!%@&! - she became Yat Girl! Soaked in cayenne pepper and ready to fight for da truth, just-us and the Yat way! Armed with peppers, lemons and those under-boiled potatoes, *she's Hot Stuff!*



#13 Spider Chad

Spider Chad, Spider Chad
More parade space than you ever had
Throws down tarps of giant size
Shows up with way too many supplies.
Look out! Here comes Spider Chad.
He dumps his hot coals down the drain.
It's all about him and his Mary Jane.
Make space...here comes Spider Chad!



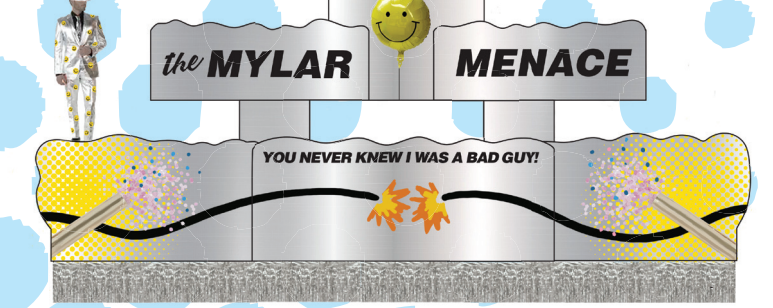
#14 Possum City

You've heard of Gotham City...well this is Possum City! And our hero Ratman has snuck out of his secret lair at the NOPD evidence room, where he hangs out with his sidekick Doobin and lots of doobies. He's ready to rumble with Saffron and the Neuty gang!



#15 Powerpuffed Gov

Forget about the Powerpuff Girls...in Louisiana, we have a governor who's Puffed with Power. Huey Long believed 'Every man a king.' Jeff Landry has a plan for his own reign — 'Make Me a King!' The ghost of Huey is haunting the Capitol with his own commandment: "Thou shalt not outdo the Kingfish!"



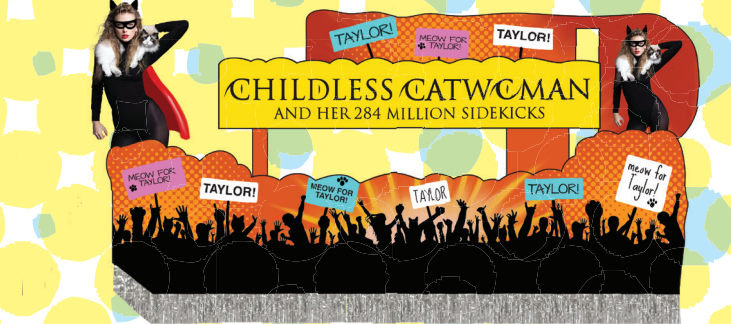
#16 The Mylar Menace

Beware...he is lurking, confetti cannon in hand, around those gender reveals and birthday parties, hiding out in Party City and at the floral department of Rouses. He's the Mylar Menace...and he has plans to take down the city of New Orleans! Don't let that smiley face fool you. He's a bad, bad balloon!



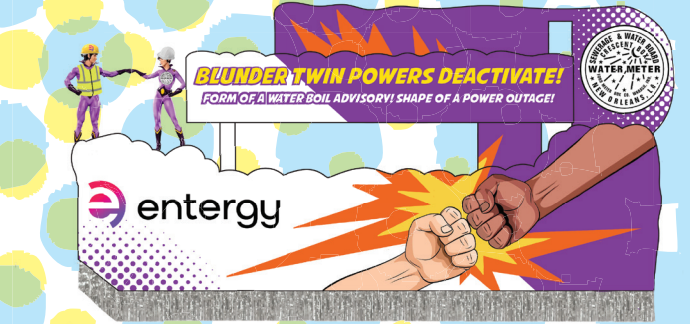
#17 The Crafter

Got a broken table leg? Got a hole in your tailpipe? Got a pothole the size of Lake Pontchartrain? She can fix that. Need a wreath in a flash, or driven to encrust an object entirely in glitter? Call The Crafter! She's got a hot glue gun and she knows how to use it!



#18 Childless Catwoman

The Childless Catwoman wields her mighty weapon: the Pen of Reckoning, capable of writing lyrics so sharp they can shatter delicate male egos. If you aren't scared of her, you should be! After all, she's got 248 million sidekicks armed with super-power friendship bracelets, and they are ready to sing into action at a moment's notice.



#19 Blunder Twin Powers – DEACTIVATE!

Partners of inconvenience – not to mention incompetence – meet the The Blunder Twins. If we are not mistaken, their super costumes bear the logos of Entergy and the Sewerage & Water Board. And when they get together — *OH NO!* The whole city will come to a screeching halt!



#20 The Scrimster

Scrimming away from his captors at the speed of a flying tennis ball, more elusive than the perfect bone...The Scrimster dodges darts and jumps out of windows with ease. This dog-gone hero has given our entire community a great big belly rub, and he's run away with our hearts.



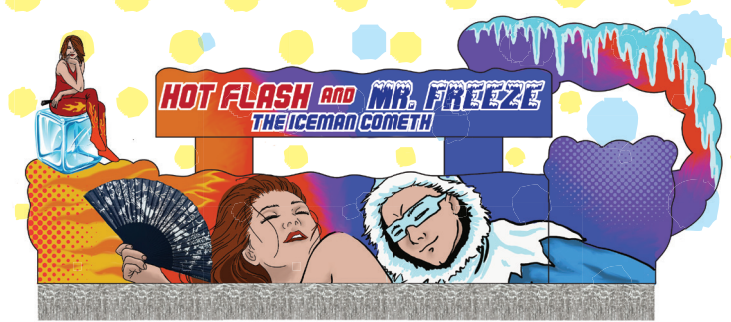
#21 Super Costumes

Yes, kids, that's a phone booth. In the old days it's where we made phone calls when we were not at home. It's also where an ordinary looking secretary or reporter, wearing a suit and horn-rimmed glasses, might transform into a superhero – complete with lasso, tiara and power bracelets. Because we know being super is all about the accessories!



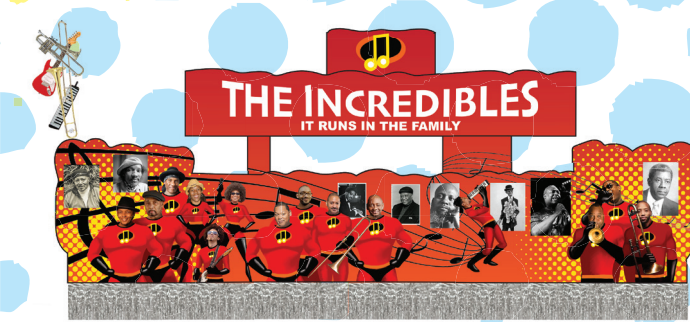
#22 Beyoncé

Some people need an atomic spider bite or an intergalactic flight from a birth planet to achieve superhero status. And some, well, some are just born SUPER.



#23 The Hot Flash

The Hot Flash had been taking all the heat... but she has found a cure that's better than high-powered air conditioning. It's a steamy team-up with Mr. Freeze. Looks like the Iceman cometh!



#24 The Incredibles

Sometimes superpowers run in the family. We see it all the time in New Orleans; the Marsalises, the Batistes, the Nevilles and the Andrews are nothing short of Incredible.



#25 Miss Information

Behold the float of confusion, a glittering spectacle of half-truths. Miss Information is powered by a team of influencers tossing alternative facts instead of shoes. Power to the Sheeple!



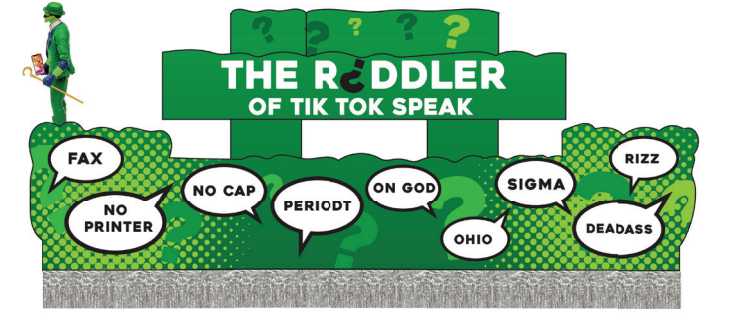
#26 Gi Jolene

Gi Jolene has been through Super Boot Camp, and she's changed her mind. Please, please, please take her cheatin' man. You know you can.



#27 The Injustice League

Some supervillains wear black robes, wield great big gavels and have an evil plot to take away rights we've had for decades. Watch out, looks like they've got designs on even more.



#28 The Riddler

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#29 Kryptonite

We all have our weaknesses that can take us down, be it a fondness for gambling or a love of first class travel. Just make sure your nemesis – or Lee Zurik – doesn't get a hold of your kryptonite.



#30 SuperBuzzed

SuperBuzzed and his sidekick CaliSober fought the Louisiana Legislature, and now the tasty THC-laden sodas bubble across this great state...to keep the state in a state.



#31 Sirens

Inspired by the luring creatures of Greek mythology, the Louisiana swamp and the emergency vehicles that traditionally signal the end of a parade, the Sirens float is like no other; it travels down the avenue on a cloud of smoke, closing out another amazing Muses parade. Introduced in 2013.