

## **MUSICARES® AND FACING ADDICTION WITH NCADD ANNOUNCE NINTH ANNUAL TEENS MAKE MUSIC CONTEST COMPETITION CHALLENGES TEENS TO SHARE POSITIVE MESSAGES ABOUT LIVING ALCOHOL AND DRUG FREE THROUGH THE POWER OF MUSIC**

**WHO:** MusiCares® Teens Make Music Contest in conjunction with Facing Addiction with NCADD.

**WHAT:** The launch of the ninth annual MusiCares Teens Make Music Contest in conjunction with Facing Addiction with NCADD as part of its effort to turn the tide on America's addiction epidemic. The contest asks young musicians, ages 14–18, to compose or create an original song and/or music video that celebrates life without alcohol or other drugs and brings attention to the real-life consequences of substance misuse. The first-place winner will receive two tickets to the 61st Annual GRAMMY Awards® at STAPLES Center in Los Angeles, two tickets to the GRAMMY Celebration® after-party, and other prizes. The second-place winner will receive a cash prize of \$250 provided by Visions Adolescent Treatment Center and other prizes. The third-place winner will receive a cash award of \$100 provided by Visions Adolescent Treatment Center and other prizes. The first, second, and third place winners will have the opportunity to attend the 61st Annual GRAMMY Awards backstage experience during a GRAMMY® rehearsal held prior to the awards show in Los Angeles.

**WHEN:** Original music compositions or compositions with accompanying videos must be sent to MusiCares postmarked no later than Dec. 15, 2018.

**WHERE:** For more information and to enter the contest, please visit [www.facingaddiction.org/teens-make-music-contest](http://www.facingaddiction.org/teens-make-music-contest)

### **ABOUT FACING ADDICTION WITH NCADD**

Facing Addiction Inc. is a national nonprofit organization dedicated to turning the tide on America's addiction epidemic, unifying the voices of the 45 million American families directly affected, through:

- Education to transform misconceptions surrounding this issue;
- Information and tools to help those who are or someday may be struggling;
- System changes to drive a comprehensive public health response, and
- A movement that will inspire these changes.

The merger of NCADD and Facing Addiction brought together the rich, nearly 75-year history of NCADD and the unparalleled coalition that launched Facing Addiction on Oct. 4, 2015. Today, Facing Addiction with NCADD is a leading advocacy organization in America addressing addiction, with over 900 action network partners, and 80 affiliate organizations. For more information, visit [www.FacingAddiction.org](http://www.FacingAddiction.org).

### **ABOUT MUSICARES**

A friend and ally of the music community, MusiCares was established by the Recording Academy™ to safeguard the health and well-being of all music people. A four-star charity and safety net in times of need,



MusiCares offers confidential preventative, recovery, and emergency programs to address financial, medical, and personal health issues. Through the generosity of our donors and volunteer professionals, our dedicated team works across the country to ensure the music community has the resources and support it needs.

For more information, visit [www.musicares.org](http://www.musicares.org), "like" MusiCares on [Facebook](#), and follow @MusiCares on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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