GRAMMY Weekend: We’re in Los Angeles! The annual GRAMMY Week taking place in Los Angeles is a fun-filled celebration of music. The celebration includes scenes of some of the biggest names in music today, we invite you to take a moment to read the stories of those behind the scenes, the innovators who are the stars. This year the GRAMMY Foundation® and MusiCares®, is dedicated to the unsung heroes of the music industry. While the world’s spotlight shines most brightly on us during the annual GRAMMY Awards®, throughout the year our Foundations offer assistance to children, parents, and support of members of our community at any level in the music industry—including young people who aspire to a career in music, those who work behind the scenes, and talented artists whose careers are at risk. While we are fortunate to have the support of some of the biggest names in music today, we invite you to take a moment to read the stories of those unsung heroes who help keep music alive for everyone. If you or someone you know is in need of music education help, please visit our website for more information.

GRAMMY Signature Schools

The GRAMMY Signature Schools initiative bring high-quality music education into schools across the nation. The GRAMMY Signature Schools collaborate with GRAMMY Signature Schools to create a flagship model that demonstrates the importance of a strategic and comprehensive approach to music education. In 2013, the GRAMMY Signature School Program will expand to a total of five schools across the United States. Each school will receive an estimated $50,000 in funding from the GRAMMY Foundation for the arts and sciences education. In addition to the support from the GRAMMY Foundation, schools will also receive support from the MusiCares Foundation, the GRAMMY Signature Schools, and the GRAMMY Signature Schools Alumni Network.

GRAMMY Week Events

Our 2013 GRAMMY Foundation

To Projects Across The U.S.

MusiCares Person Of The Year A Major Success

MusiCares Person Of The Year 2013

MusiCares Foundation Makes Grant Awards

The ninth annual MusiCares MAP Fund benefit concert will honor Chester Bennington, lead vocalist of two-time GRAMMY-winning band Linkin Park, and will take place at Club Nokia on May 30. Chester will be joined by some of his musical friends for a benefit concert to raise money in support of the MusiCares MAP Fund. For nearly 30 years, the MusiCares MAP Fund has been providing crucial treatment and support to those who have been affected by addiction, especially those in the music community. The 2013 benefit concert will be hosted by Chevy Chase. This year’s headliner will be announced soon. The 2013 benefit will be produced by the Grammy Foundation and MusiCares®.

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The Recording Academy® and the GRAMMY Foundation created their first-ever Music Educator Award to recognize outstanding music educators for their incredible service and the undeniable impact it has had on the music industry. The Recording Academy and the GRAMMY Foundation have been partners of the GRAMMY Education Initiative since its inception, and the MusiCares Person of the Year award has been presented every year by the Recording Academy and the GRAMMY Foundation.

In creating this award, we hope to foster a national appreciation for music education across the country. Based on the overwhelming response from the community, we recognize this as a great opportunity to honor music educators across the country, and by April 15 deadline we received more than 10,000 nominations.

We could have anticipated that so many teachers would reach out to tell us about the important and influential music teachers they’ve had in their lives. The excitement and enthusiasm that we have seen since announcing the Music Educator Award have been inspiring and we look forward to honoring excellent music education for many years to come.

Our first Music Educator Award will be presented during GRAMMY Week 2014. The winner will be flown to Los Angeles to attend the 56th GRAMMY Awards, accept the award and receive a $10,000 honorarium. The nine other finalists will receive a $1,000 honorarium. The honorariums provided to the winners and their schools are made possible with the support of our Education Champions Corporations, Ford Motor Company Fund, General Mills Box Tops For Education, and journey.

GIVE PASSIONATELY

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Whether you’re a fan, an artist, or a music industry professional, we invite you to think about the role of music in your life, and consider making a gift that reflects that resonance by sending us a contribution in the enclosed envelope or by visiting www.grammyfoundation.org or www.musicares.com.

Music Supports

We are fortunate to benefit from the generosity and talents of performers whose careers are filled with legendary achievements. From Person of the Year honorees such as Paul McCartney, Bruce Springsteen, and Barbra Streisand to MusiCares MAP Fund® Stevie Ray Vaughan Award recipients such as Jerry Cantrell, Dave Gahan, and James Hetfield, our organization is honored to work with these amazing individuals who have dedicated their time and talents to support our services.

But what’s perhaps most encouraging is that MusiCares exists to offer our Emergency Financial Assistance and Addiction Recovery programs to the full spectrum of music people—and our clients are often the people behind the legends. We have been pleased to share with you the stories of some of our clients who are representative of the services and support we provide to so many in the music community each year.

Kevin had been working in the music industry for the last 40 years as a professional producer and stage manager. While out on the road with a well-known band, Kevin was diagnosed with leukemia. Unfortunately, Kevin had to stop working because he was not covered under his insurance. MusiCares was able to help Kevin obtain coverage, as well as pay for his prescription costs and basic living needs. Ultimately Kevin found the support of MusiCares was able to help him start living his life and get back to work. While the road may have been difficult at times, Kevin never gave up and continued his passion for music education.

Frank had been a touring musician, who worked with many major artists. While he was successfully pursuing his musical career, he also struggled with addiction. His friends and family members had become deeply concerned about his substance abuse and desired to know how to get him on the right path. Frank acknowledged he had a substance abuse issue, but knew his insurance coverage wouldn’t cover addiction treatment and he didn’t have the resources to cover the costs. Thankfully, MusiCares was able to help him access treatment for 30 days and provide him with aftercare groups for weekly support once he completed treatment. Today, Frank has a job and is the father of a daughter and has been sober for many years.

Sally has been a vocal coach for many years, working with scores of well-known artists. Sally’s husband had been diagnosed with terminal cancer which left her devastated. Sally’s daughter was 9 years old and had just recently lost her grandmother, and at 70 years old, was still working as a vocal coach. She was diagnose with cancer and knew she no longer had the energy to continue working with students. To help ease her circumstances and the pain, MusiCares stepped in to help cover her basic living expenses and medical bills. And while the family could not afford to see a doctor, through MusiCares Sally found a lifeline to sustain her health.

Helen is an abused wife and mother of three. When she was most in need, MusiCares quickly stepped in to help cover her basic living expenses and medical bills. And while the family could not afford to see a doctor, through MusiCares Sally found a lifeline to sustain her health.

There are just a few of our stories that show how MusiCares programs and services address a wide range of issues that affect our clients on a daily basis. We’re proud to share with you the stories of our clients who are representative of the services and support we provide to so many in the music community each year.
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These are just a few stories of the many programs that work to provide the very best of our organization to thousands of people in need. For more information on our Emergency Financial Assistance and Addiction Recovery programs, please visit musicares.org. Make a donation today at www.grammyfoundation.org or www.musicares.org.
For Addiction Recovery

Sons, Patti Smith, Mavis Staples, Sting, Neil John, Juanes, John Legend, Natalie Maines, Emmylou Harris, Faith Hill, Jim James, Elton Browne, Kenny Chesney, Ben Harper, performances by Alabama Shakes, Jackson a star-studded tribute concert that included night held true to its prestigious name with more than $6.5 million for MusiCares. The event played to a sold-out audience of approximately 3,000 people and raised reception and silent auction sponsored by the Starkey Hearing Foundation, the organization. All proceeds will benefit the MusiCares MAP Fund, which provides essentials of the music community access to addiction treatment regardless of their financial situation.

The ninth annual MusiCares MAP Fund benefit concert will honor Chester Bennington, the lead vocalist of rock band Linkin Park and frontman for the band Stone Temple Pilots. Chester passed away on July 20, 2017. Chester was a 2012 honoree of MusiCares Person of the Year, which is the music industry’s most prestigious charitable award. Chester’s contributions to the music industry and his personal commitment to the service and support of MusiCares MAP Fund are expected to be highlighted during the program. The evening’s activities will also include performances by multi-GRAMMY winner Juanes and GRAMMY winner Arturo Sandoval. The GRAMMY Week Events

Our 2013 GRAMMY Foundation GRAMMY Week Events

The 2013 GRAMMY Week Activities are scheduled to include the following events:

1. The 15th annual Music Preservation Project “Play It Forward: A Celebration Of Music’s Evolution and Influencers.” The performances reflected a variety of musical genres and highlighted innovative programs in music preservation.

2. The GRAMMY Week for GRAMMY Camp — Jazz Session®. Among the week’s highlights were performances by some of the world’s most accomplished jazz musicians.

3. Thirty-two of America’s most talented high school musicians assembled during GRAMMY Week as part of thegrassroots music education program, GRAMMY Camp. The camp provides an opportunity for high school students to receive a unique and comprehensive music education and artistic development experience.

4. The annual Entertainment Law Initiative Luncheon & Scholarship Presentation featured a keynote discussion with Tom Brokaw, Ron Conway and moderator Andie Simon. Chuck Ortner, recipient of the 2013 Service Award and scholarships were awarded to the winners of the annual Entertainment Law Initiative® Writing Competition.

5. The 15th annual GRAMMY Masters Class With GRAMMY-winning producer and former SMASH Records president, Tommy Mottola, was held on May 6. The class was designed to provide high school students with an in-depth understanding of the music business.

6. The Hot Topic Foundation.

With budget cuts still impacting schools across the U.S., it was welcome news to hear that 2013 has been an especially productive year for the Hot Topic Foundation. Over the course of the year, the Hot Topic Foundation has distributed $56,000 to schools across the country.

The Hot Topic Foundation awarded $15,000 in grants to ten schools, which were selected as GRAMMY Signature Schools for 2013. Created in 1998, the program offers academic year-round support to selected schools that are making a commitment to music education at the middle and high school level. Each of the 10 GRAMMY Signature Schools received a custom award and a monetary grant to benefit its music program. Grants this year have totaled $56,000. GRAMMY Signature Schools are made possible in part through the generous support of Best Buy, the Ford Motor Company, and the Hot Topic Foundation.
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Foundation Honorary Board Chair Ryan Seacrest and multi-GRAMMY-winning artist Justin Timberlake.

The award was announced during the 55th Annual GRAMMY Awards on Sunday, Feb. 10 by President/CEO of The Recording Academy and the GRAMMY Foundation Neil Portnow, TV and radio host/producer and GRAMMY Foundation member/Board Chair癸one Seltzer and multi-GRAMMY-winning artist Judith明朗邦

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