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Dear Educational Leader,

The Long Island Music Hall of Fame is excited to announce the opening of nominations for our 2017 Music Educator of Note Award, once again recognizing outstanding achievement in Long Island music education. Our awardees have been Herbert Deutsch, 2007; John McNeur, 2008; Joseph R. Sugar, 2009; Laurence Ballereau, 2010; Robert W. Krueger, 2011; William Katz, 2012; Steven E. Schopp, 2013; David Fryling, 2014; Joseph Rutkowski, 2015; and Frank Doyle, 2016. More information about the awardees can be found at: www.limusichalloffame.org/education/educator-of-note/.

This organization is dedicated to the idea that our musical heritage is an important resource to be celebrated and preserved by future generations. The Hall will be a place to inspire, entertain, educate and engage each person in the creative process. The Long Island Music Hall of Fame has inducted over 100 artists of many genres including Billy Joel, Tony Bennett, Joan Jett, Cyndi Lauper, Run-DMC, Kenny Vance, Jean Richie, Louis Armstrong, Stanley Drucker, Oscar Brand and Donnie McClurkin.

Paramount to our organization's success will be our Educational Program. In the future, our planned museum and resource center will endeavor to satisfy the NY State Educational core curriculum and be open to Long Island schools to supplement and enhance their current music programs. A children's activity area will also exist within the museum featuring interactive stations that will allow children to explore the many facets of music and its creation.

Recognizing that education is the key to the development of musicians, we are interested in celebrating the work of those who allow young people to explore their talents. The recipient of the Music Educator of Note Award will be someone who has worked with children in public, private or regional programs. Following the initial nomination, the committee will seek additional information incorporating the references of students, colleagues, parents and administrators.

We request your assistance in nominating an outstanding music educator from your district. All are eligible to participate, including educators, parents and students. LIMHoF is particularly interested in applications from teachers affiliated with institutions of higher education on Long Island, including Brooklyn and Queens. Please feel free to copy and pass on the application or download copies at www.limusichalloffame.org. *All nominations must be received by September 29, 2017. All previous nominees are eligible for consideration, and past applications will be reviewed. Successful nominees will receive a Certificate of Merit from the Long Island Music Hall of Fame. The winner will be honored at an event to be announced.*

We look forward to hearing about your outstanding music educator.

Yours truly,

Tom Needham
3rd Vice Chairman, Long Island Music Hall of Fame
Chairman, Education Advisory Board

LONG ISLAND MUSIC HALL OF FAME 2017 MUSIC EDUCATOR OF NOTE AWARD

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Long Island Music Hall of Fame Music Educator of Note Award is to celebrate and honor Long Island music educators who exemplify the highest standards of their profession, and who, through their influence on the lives of young students, have made significant contributions to their school, community, and the betterment of music education. LIMHoF is particularly interested in applications from teachers affiliated with institutions of higher education on Long Island.

The selection of Music Educator will focus attention on excellence in music education within Long Island. By honoring an exemplary member of the teaching profession, the Long Island Music Hall of Fame (LIMHoF) will acknowledge and pay tribute to the contributions of thousands of dedicated Long Island music educators. The person selected for this award will serve as a spokesperson and role model for music teachers across Long Island. Nominees for the award will receive a Certificate of Merit from the LIMHoF Board of Directors.

The Long Island Music Hall of Fame is a 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to the idea that Long Island's musical heritage is an important resource to be celebrated and preserved for future generations. The LIMHoF was created as a place to inspire in each person the desire to explore and celebrate music in all its forms and to be a place where the music community will find the support, resources and leadership necessary to aid them in that exploration. The Hall of Fame sponsors the Long Island Sound Award, traveling educational exhibits and is working to create a permanent home for the story of Long Island's musical heritage.

CRITERIA:

The candidate must:

• Have at least ten years' experience as a music educator in any private studio, public, or non-public Long Island school or university.
• Demonstrate commitment to music education by playing an active role in the community in conjunction with their professional responsibilities.
• Demonstrate a significant impact on the lives of music students of all backgrounds and abilities.
• Be an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable and skilled individual who is respected and admired by students, colleagues, parents, and the community.

SELECTION PROCESS:

Any candidate who meets the criteria may be nominated. All previous nominees are eligible for consideration, and past applications will be reviewed.

The attached application will be mailed to:

Long Island Music Hall of Fame
1175 Walt Whitman Road
Melville, NY 11747

Applications must be postmarked by September 29, 2017

All applications will be evaluated by the Long Island Music Hall of Fame Educational Advisory Board.

Successful nominees continuing in the selection process will be asked to provide letters of recommendation from three (3) of the following constituent groups:

• Current or former student
• Community group or member
• Colleague
• Current supervisor/administrator
• Parent of a student

Letters of recommendation must be postmarked no later than September 29, 2017

Complete applications for the finalists will be reviewed by the Long Island Music Hall of Fame Board of Directors who will make the final selection. The winner will be notified by October 30, 2017, and will be presented with the Music Educator of Note Award at an event to be announced. Additional information is available at www.limusichalloffame.org or by calling Paul Graf at 631-848-2366.

3rd Vice Chairman of the LIMHOF, Chairman of the Education Advisory Board: Tom Needham
Education Advisory Board Members: Carol Brown, Michael Cesarano, Herbert Deutsch, Paul Graf, Jeffrey James, John McNeur, Daniel F. Millheiser, Norman Prusslin, Lynda Reynolds, Jimmy Rosica, Brady Rymer, Patricia Shih
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For further information about the Long Island Music Hall of Fame, visit the website at www.limusichalloffame.org.
Additional applications are available on the website.

LONG ISLAND MUSIC HALL OF FAME 2017 MUSIC EDUCATOR OF NOTE AWARD

Please fill out to the best of your ability.

Name of Nominee: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: (____)_____ E-Mail Address: _____

List Certification(s) *(if applicable)*: _____

Nominee's School District/Private School/Parochial School/Other: _____

School District/Other Address: _____

_____

School District/Other Phone Number: (_____)_____

Name of Music Director/Supervisor: _____ Phone of Music Dir./Supervisor: (____) _____

Nominee's School *(if applicable)*: _____

School Address *(if applicable)*: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

School Phone Number *(if applicable)*: (___)_____

Grade(s) Taught *(if applicable)*: _____

Number of Students Currently Taught by Nominee:_____ Number of Students in School: _____

Total Years Teaching: _____ Years in Present Position: _____

Name of Nominator (please print): _____

Address of Nominator: _____ City: _____ State: ____Zip: _____

Phone Number of Nominator: (____) _____

Signature of Nominator: _____

Please complete the following (attach additional pages if necessary):
Qualifications of the nominee that meet the criteria of this award: _____

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Significant achievements in music education: _____

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LONG ISLAND MUSIC HALL OF FAME 2017 MUSIC EDUCATOR OF NOTE AWARD *Continued from page 1*

Name of Nominee: _____

Service to the school or other music program, service to any programs outside the music department and service to the community:

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Professional affiliations and activities (e.g. membership in professional organizations, offices held, etc.): _____

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Honors and awards received: _____

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Discuss the nominee's impact on the lives of students (please provide specific anecdotes): _____

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What makes the nominee uniquely deserving of this award: _____

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Please attach a current resume of the nominee if available. *(Attach additional pages if necessary)*