

212 QUARTERFINALISTS ANNOUNCED FOR 2024 MUSIC EDUCATOR AWARD™ PRESENTED BY THE RECORDING ACADEMY® AND GRAMMY MUSEUM®

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WHAT:

The **Music Educator Award™** was established to recognize current educators (kindergarten through college and public and private schools) who have made a significant and lasting contribution to the field of music education and who demonstrate a commitment to the broader cause of maintaining music education in the schools. A joint partnership and presentation of the Recording Academy® and GRAMMY Museum®, the recipient will be recognized during GRAMMY® Week 2024.

The award is open to current U.S. music teachers, and anyone can nominate a teacher — students, parents, friends, colleagues, community members, school deans, and administrators. Teachers are also able to nominate themselves, and nominated teachers are notified and invited to fill out an application.

Each year, one recipient is selected from 10 finalists and recognized for their remarkable impact on students' lives. The 10th annual honoree will be flown to Los Angeles to attend the 66th Annual GRAMMY Awards® and a range of GRAMMY Week events. The nine additional finalists will receive a \$1,000 honorarium, and the schools of all 10 finalists will receive matching grants.

Fifteen semi-finalists will receive a \$500 honorarium with matching school grants. The matching grants provided to the schools are made possible by the generosity and support of the GRAMMY Museum's Education Champion **Ford Motor Company Fund**. In addition, the American Choral Directors Association, National Association for Music Education, NAMM Foundation, and National Education Association support this program through outreach to their constituencies.

WHO:

A total of 212 music teachers from 197 cities have been announced as quarterfinalists for the Music Educator Award presented by the Recording Academy and GRAMMY Museum. In total, over 2,000 initial nominations were submitted. In addition to our quarterfinalists, 123 legacy applicants from 2023 will also be eligible to win the award this year.



QUARTERFINALISTS

Name	School	City	State
Casie Adams	Martinsburg High School	Martinsburg	West Virginia
Bruce Adams	Sam Houston High School	San Antonio	Texas
Miguel Aguiar	Southwest High School	San Antonio	Texas
Derek Alexander	Orville Bright Elementary School	Chicago	Illinois
Dawn Amthor	Wallkill Senior High School	Wallkill	New York
Jonathan Anderson	University High School (Volusia)	Orange City	Florida
Christopher Andrews	Hephzibah High School	Hephzibah	Georgia
Jeanne Andrews	Pauline J. Petway Elementary School	Vineland	New Jersey
Justin Antos	Dwight D. Eisenhower High School	Blue Island	Illinois
Javier Arau	New York Jazz Academy	New York	New York
Andrea Armour	Christian County Middle School	Hopkinsville	Kentucky
Timothy Arnold	Orono High School	Long Lake	Minnesota
Shawn Athey	Veterans Memorial High School	Corpus Christi	Texas
Elizabeth Baker	Mary Martin Elementary	Weatherford	Texas
Jeremy Bartunek	Greenbriar School	Northbrook	Illinois
Adem Birson	New York University	New York	New York
Benjamen Blasko	Lipscomb University	Nashville	Tennessee
Amanda Blevins	Tri-Valley High School	Dresden	Ohio
Susan Boddie	Valdosta State University	Valdosta	Georgia
Adrain Bonner	Lancaster High School	Lancaster	Texas
Cherie Bowe	Pascagoula High School	Pascagoula	Mississippi
Andrew Bowerly	Tenino High School	Tenino	Washington
George Bradshaw	Dover Area High School	Dover	Pennsylvania
Gwendolyn Brazier	Lathrop High School	Fairbanks	Alaska
Steve Browne	Nashville Community High School	Nashville	Illinois
Matthew Brusseau	Davie County High School	Mocksville	North Carolina
Ryan Bulgarelli	Loyalsock Township High School	Williamsport	Pennsylvania
Cathryn Burt	East Newton High School	Granby	Missouri
James Byrn, Jr.	Maconaquah High School	Bunker Hill	Indiana
Mary Catherine Campbell	Seven Pines Elementary	Sandston	Virginia
Helen Capehart	Bridgeport High School	Bridgeport	Texas
Marcos Carreras	Conservatory of The Arts	Springfield	Massachusetts
Michael "Patrick" Carte	Scott High School	Madison	West Virginia



Curtis Carver	Harlem High School	Harlem	Georgia
Roger Chagnon III	Westfield Academy and Central School	Westfield	New York
Kristopher Chandler	Gautier High School	Gautier	Mississippi
Jeff Chang	Decatur High School	Federal Way	Washington
Krista Clay	West Branch High School	Beloit	Ohio
Travis Coakley	William Carey University	Hattiesburg	Mississippi
Vanessa Cobb	Montgomery Central High School	Cunningham	Tennessee
Mark Collins	John S. Battle High School	Bristol	Virginia
Trish Conover	Community Middle School	Plainsboro	New Jersey
John Contreras	Pueblo High School	Tucson	Arizona
Kyle Cook	Western Branch Middle School	Chesapeake	Virginia
Travis Cook	Plymouth Christian Academy	Canton	Michigan
Daniel Cook	University of North Texas	Denton	Texas
Andrew Cote	Merrimack College	North Andover	Massachusetts
Drew Cowell	Belleville East High School	Belleville	Illinois
Cory Craig	Benton Intermediate School	Benton	Louisiana
Matthew Cunningham	Brockton High School	Brockton	Massachusetts
Shannon Curtis	Zimmerman Middle High School	Zimmerman	Minnesota
Isaac Daniel	Stax Music Academy	Memphis	Tennessee
Jim Daughters	Southeast Missouri State University	Cape Girardeau	Missouri
Marci DeAmbrose	Lincoln Southwest High School	Lincoln	Nebraska
Jackie Deen	Pottsboro High School	Pottsboro	Texas
Matthew Denman	Classen School of Advanced Studies	Oklahoma City	Oklahoma
Ryan Diefenderfer	Paradise Valley High School	Phoenix	Arizona
Jennifer DiVasto	Pennridge High School	Perkasie	Pennsylvania
Antoine Dolberry	P.S. 103x Hector Fontanez	Bronx	New York
George Dragoo	Stevens High School	Rapid City	South Dakota
Marisa Drake	Patuxent High School	Lusby	Maryland
Kathleen Dudley	Andrew Cooke Magnet School	Waukegan	Illinois
Jonathan Eising	James Hubert Blake High School	Silver Spring	Maryland
Jonathan Eldridge	Weston High School	Weston	Massachusetts
Carol Evans	Gwynedd Mercy University	Gwynedd Valley	Pennsylvania
Anthony Ferreira	Suffield High	West Suffield	Connecticut
Tamara Frazier J.D. Frizzell	North Valleys High School Briarcrest Christian School	Reno Eads	Nevada
		Greensburg	Tennessee Louisiana
Chesteron Frye	St. Helena College & Career Academy	Greenspurg	Louisiaila



Nicholas Garofalo	Chattahoochee High School	Johns Creek	Georgia
Matt Gerry	Salina South Middle School	Salina	Kansas
Anna Girling	Sebastopol Attendance Center	Sebastopol	Mississippi
Vivian Gonzalez	Miami Arts Studio 6-12 @ Zelda Glazer	Miami	Florida
Johnathan Gore	Sandy Run K8 School	Swansea	South Carolina
Serena Gorham	Weare Middle School	Weare	New Hampshire
Kylie Griffin	Dozier Elementary	Erath	Louisiana
Jess Gronberg	Hawkes Bluff Elementary	Davie	Florida
Alan Guckian	Manor High School	Manor	Texas
Nathaniel Gunter	Greer High School	Greer	South Carolina
Amy Hannequin	Bethel Middle School	Bethel	Connecticut
Crystal Harding	Ypsilanti Community High School	Ypsilanti	Michigan
Diana Harrigan	Bloom High School	Chicago Heights	Illinois
Toye Harris	Miami High School	Miami	Oklahoma
Chris Hayslette	Bridgeport Middle School	Bridgeport	West Virginia
Colette Hebert	Ella Fitzgerald Academy	Yonkers	New York
Martha Heise	Seventh Street Elementary School	Oil City	Pennsylvania
Jonathan Helmick	Slippery Rock University	Slippery Rock	Pennsylvania
Corey Hermens	Grant County High School	Dry Ridge	Kentucky
Joel Hill	Velma Jackson High School and Shirley D. Simmons Middle School	Camden	Mississippi
Autumn Danielle Hodges	Clarksville- Kraus Middle School	Clarksville	Arkansas
Elaine Holmes	Comsewogue High School	Port Jefferson Station	New York
Gene Hundley	Swainsboro Middle School	Swainsboro	Georgia
Victor lapalucci	Philip Barbour High School	Philippi	West Virginia
Devin James	Salem High School	Conyers	Georgia
Heidi Jaye	Daniel Webster Elementary School	New Rochelle	New York
Luke Johnson	Ingalls Elementary	Ingalls	Kansas
Jamie Jones	Manzano Day School	Albuquerque	New Mexico
Tyler Jones	Thompson Middle School	Alabaster	Alabama
Daniel Joosten	Edgerton High School	Edgerton	Wisconsin
Brett Keith	Northern Bedford County Middle/High School	Loysburg	Pennsylvania
Deonte Kennedy	Craigmont High School	Memphis	Tennessee
Matthew Kilby	Fort Dorchester HS	North Charleston	South Carolina
Lou Kitchner	Bedford Middle School	Westport	Connecticut
Michael Kiyoi	San Marcos High School	Santa Barbara	California



Kate Klotz	Monarch High School	Louisville	Colorado
Heidi Kohler	Clarence Middle School	Clarence	New York
Michael Lapomardo	Shrewsbury High School	Shrewsbury	Massachusetts
Michael Lee	Jericho Middle School	Jericho	New York
Morgan Lentino	Otter Creek Elementary	Elgin	Illinois
Joshua Light	Soddy-Daisy HS	Soddy-Daisy	Tennessee
Lisa Linde	Newton South High school	Newton	Massachusetts
Wes Lowe	The King's Academy	West Palm Beach	Florida
Cole Lundquist	Gloucester High School	Gloucester	Massachusetts
Robert Mamminga	St. Francis High School	Wheaton	Illinois
Peter Manzi	Carlsbad High School	Carlsbad	California
Samuel Maran	Lake High School	Millbury	Ohio
Jayson Martinez	Arts High School	Newark	New Jersey
Kevin McDonald	Wellesley High School	Wellesley	Massachusetts
Jill Melchitzky	Northwestern Middle School	Albion	Pennsylvania
Larrian Menifee	Ball High School	Galveston	Texas
Kimberly Mettert	East Noble Middle School	Kendallville	Indiana
Natalie Moore	Sullivan High School	Sullivan	Missouri
Mario Morales	Granbury High School	Granbury	Texas
Coty Raven Morris	Portland State University	Portland	Oregon
Brian Nabors	Shelby High School	Shelby	Ohio
Jenny Neff	The University of the Arts	Philadelphia	Pennsylvania
Cassandra Nelson	Mountaineer Middle	Morgantown	West Virginia
Trevor Nicholas	Senn Arts at Nicholas Senn High School	Chicago	Illinois
Adam Nobile	Big Spring High School	Newville	Pennsylvania
Sam Noyce	Thomas Jefferson Jr. High School	Kearns	Utah
Tim O'Donnell	Ephrata High School	Ephrata	Washington
John Panella	Cottondale High School	Cottondale	Florida
James Patterson	Kingstree High School	Kingstree	South Carolina
Shakia Paylor	City Neighbors High School	Baltimore	Maryland
Fernando Penaloza	Savanna High School	Anaheim	California
Kathy Perconti	Wayne Central High School	Ontario Center	New York
Jordan Peters	Dr. E Alma Flagg School	Newark	New Jersey
Catherine Plichta	Theatre Arts Production Company School	Bronx	New York
Felix Ponce	Back of the Yards College Preparatory High School	Chicago	Illinois
David Pope	Baldwin Wallace University	Berea	Ohio



Ær Queen Braddock Elementary School Annandale Virginia Charles A. Huston Middle School Lower Burrell Pennsylvania Brian Querry Rebecca Raber University of Mary Bismarck North Dakota Marc Ratner New York Mineola High School Garden City Park Lance Rauh St Johns Florida Patriot Oaks Academy Hoza Redditt MSA East Academy St. Gabriel Louisiana Heather Rentz St. Mark Westpark Cleveland Ohio Mason Middle School Aaron Rex Mason Ohio Riverside Middle School Greer South Carolina Angela Rex Chris Richard Rogers Heritage High School Rogers Arkansas Sarah Riechers Thurgood Marshall Elementary School Manassas Virginia Ponchatoula High School Ponchatoula Louisiana Stephanie Robertson Bethany Robinson Noblesville High School Noblesville Indiana Keith Robinson Jefferson Avenue Elementary Seguin Texas Alberto Rodriguez Alexandria Mount Vernon High School Virginia Chad Rose Sheridan High School Sheridan Wyoming Stewart Rosen Walter Reed Middle School North Hollywood California Indiana Shawn Royer Marian University Indianapolis Dayshawn Russell North Iberville Elementary Rosedale Louisiana Hannah Ryan University of Virginia's College at Wise Wise Virginia Kyle Ryan Turkey Hill School Orange Connecticut Kennedy Secondary School Fergus Falls Ashley Sands Minnesota Mark Santos Santa Ana California Santa Ana High School Danni Schmitt Roland Park Elementary/Middle School Baltimore Maryland Kevin Schoenbach Oswego High School Oswego Illinois South Carolina Eric Schultz Coastal Carolina University Conway Jessica Schwartz Denham Springs High School Denham Springs Louisiana Josh Settlemyre R.J. Reynolds High School Winston-Salem North Carolina California Jason Shiuan Saratoga High School Saratoga Katie Silcott Lewis Center Ohio Olentangy Shanahan Middle School Kerra Simmons Fort Worth Academy of Fine Arts Fort Worth Texas Joani Slawson Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy Melbourne Florida Texas Timothy Patrick Sloan Sr. Albright Middle School Houston Jessie Smith Yes Prep Public Schools Houston Texas Cathryn Smith Coleman High School Coleman Texas Patrick Smith Cooperative Arts and Humanities High New Haven Connecticut

School



Tony Spano	Culver City High School	Culver City	California
Wes Sparkes	Eagleview Middle School	Colorado Springs	Colorado
Julian Spires	Meade Middle School	Fort Meade	Maryland
Shannon Stem	University Academy	Panama City	Florida
Harold Stephan	Stuyvesant High School	New York	New York
Cassandra Sulbaran	Braintree High School	Braintree	Massachusetts
Lynn Sweet	Mount Anthony Union High School	Bennington	Vermont
Agnes Tech	Indian Prairie Elementary School	Crystal Lake	Illinois
Chris Toomey	Mineola High School	Garden City Park	New York
Tom Torrento	Grosse Pointe North High School	Grosse Pointe Woods	Michigan
Jessica Torres	Elmont Memorial Jr. Sr. High School	Elmont	New York
Michelle Trinidad	Sacred Heart School	Bronx	New York
Alice Tsui	New Bridges Elementary	Brooklyn	New York
Jordan Tupper	Episcopal School of Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge	Louisiana
Martin Urbach	Harvest Collegiate High School	New York City	New York
Johny Vargas	Pueblo High School	Tucson	Arizona
Amy Villanova	Canyon Crest Academy	San Diego	California
Valerie Vinnard	Webster Elementary	Long Beach	California
Kenneth Walker	Ralls High School	Ralls	Texas
Kathy Wallace	Willard Elementary	Winchester	Indiana
Jennifer Walter	University of North Carolina at Greensboro	Greensboro	North Carolina
John Ware	Stovall Middle School	Houston	Texas
Brandon Weeks	North Polk High School	Alleman	lowa
Lisa Werner	St. Bruno Parish School	Dousman	Wisconsin
Scott Weyman	Solanco High School	Quarryville	Pennsylvania
Elizabeth White	Holcomb RIII	Holcomb	Missouri
Tyler Wigglesworth	West Covina High School	West Covina	California
Derrick Williams	Vista Heights Middle School	Moreno Valley	California
Paula Williams	The Ron Clark Academy	Atlanta	Georgia
Sandi Wilson	Franklin School of Innovation	Asheville	North Carolina
Matthew Wiltshire	Lewiston High School	Lewiston	Maine
Damion Womack	The Montgomery Academy	Montgomery	Alabama
Tammy Yi	Chapman University	Orange	California
Nicholas Young	Altus High School	Altus	Oklahoma
Jason Younts	Samuel V. Champion High School	Boerne	Texas
DeAnna Zecchin	Indian River High School	Dagsboro	Delaware



LEGACY APPLICANTS

Name	School	City	State
Phil Aguglia	Kenmore East High School	Tonawanda	New York
Heather Akers	Central Middle School	Dover	Delaware
Eric Allen	Western Middle School for the Arts	Louisville	Kentucky
Calandria Allen	Zachary Community Schools	Zachary	Louisiana
Abigail Alwin	Clague Middle School	Ann Arbor Public Schools	Michigan
David Amos	Heritage Middle School	Painesville	Ohio
Luke Aumann	Appleton North High School	Appleton	Wisconsin
Elizabeth Baker	Ilima Intermediate School	Ewa Beach	Hawaiʻi
Andre Barnes	Science Park High School	Newark	New Jersey
Conesha Barron	Lanier High School	Jackson	Mississippi
Lyndra Bastian	Creekside Middle School and Woodstock High School	Woodstock	Illinois
William Bennett	Cane Bay High School	Summerville	South Carolina
Heather Bice	Ridgeview High School	Orange Park	Florida
Charlie Bradberry	Iowa Park High School	Iowa Park	Texas
Justin Britt	Kingston Public Schools	Kingston	Oklahoma
Shantavia Burchette	East Side High School	Newark	New Jersey
John Burn	Homestead High School	Cupertino	California
Alexander Busby	Oviedo High School	Oviedo	Florida
Aaron Bush	Foxborough High School	Foxborough	Massachusetts
Meg Byrne	Pleasant Valley High School	Bettendorf	lowa
Philip Carter	O'Fallon Township High School	O'Fallon	Illinois
Elizabeth Carter	Snowden School	Memphis	Tennessee
Francis Cathlina	University of Memphis	Memphis	Tennessee
Tiffany Chiang	Mark Twain I.S. 239	Brooklyn	New York
Ernesta Chicklowski	Roosevelt Elementary	Tampa	Florida
Michael Coelho	Ipswich Middle School and Ipswich High School	Ipswich	Massachusetts
Christine Cumberledge	Central Junior High School	Euless	Texas
Heather Dipasquale	Todd County Middle School	Elkton	Kentucky
Jack A. Eaddy, Jr.	Western Carolina University	Cullowhee	North Carolina



Dominique Eade	New England Conservatory of Music	Boston	Massachusetts
Cuauhtemoc Escobedo	Eckstein Middle School	Seattle	Washington
Jasmine Faulkner	Polaris Expeditionary Learning School	Fort Collins	Colorado
Daniel James Felton	Tartan High School	Oakdale	Minnesota
Nicholas Fernandez	Bentonville Schools	Bentonville	Arkansas
Cathryn Fowler	Health Careers High School	San Antonio	Texas
Marisa Frank	Explore! Community School	Nashville	Tennessee
Jasmine Fripp	KIPP Nashville Collegiate High School	Nashville	Tennessee
Jacob Garcia	Tennyson Middle School	Waco	Texas
Jorge L. Garcia	Elias Herrera Middle School	Laredo	Texas
Tina Gibson	Jefferson County Traditional Middle School	Louisville	Kentucky
Alex Gittelman	Haverford Middle School	Havertown	Pennsylvania
Guillermo Gonzalez	James A. Garfield High School	Los Angeles	California
Mansa Gory	Denzel Washington School of the Arts	Mount Vernon	New York
Deanna Grandstaff	Cecil Intermediate School	McDonald	Pennsylvania
Amanda Hanzlik	E.O. Smith High School	Storrs	Connecticut
Marvin Haywood	John Ehret High School	Marrero	Louisiana
Kristin Howell	Syosset High School	Syosset	New York
Emmanuel Hudson	Booker T. Washington High School	Shreveport	Louisiana
Karla Hulne	Blair-Taylor Middle/High School	Blair	Wisconsin
Mia Ibrahim	Health Opportunities High School	Bronx	New York
Luis Ingels	Candor Elementary School	Candor	New York
Justin Janer	Pinewood School Middle Campus	Los Altos	California
Daryl Jessen	Dakota Valley School	North Sioux City	South Dakota
De'Evin Johnson	Duncanville High School	Duncanville	Texas
Amir Jones	Harvey High School	Painesville	Ohio
Allison Kline	Blue Mountain Area School	Orwigsburg	Pennsylvania
Kenneth Kosterman	Rockwall-Heath High School	Heath	Texas
Joshua Krohn	Brent Elementary School	Washington	District of Columbia
Sarah Labovitz	Arkansas State University	Jonesboro	Arkansas
Heather Leppard	Girls Academic Leadership Academy (GALA)	Los Angeles	California
Hope Lewis	Charles O. Dickerson HS	Trumansburg	New York
Meredith Lord	Burncoat High School	Worcester	Massachusetts
Brendon Lucas	Nyack High School	Nyack	New York



Christian Lucas	Mariners Christian School	Costa Mesa	California
Alison McCarrey	Romig Middle School	Anchorage	Alaska
Angie McDaniel	Forest Creek Elementary	Round Rock	Texas
Ashleigh McDaniel Spatz	Burgess Peterson Academy	Atlanta	Georgia
Matthew McKagan	Lindero Canyon Middle School	Agoura Hills	California
Brian McMath	Northwest Guilford High School	Greensboro	North Carolina
Phillip McMullen	Silver Creek Central Schools	Silver Creek	New York
Tracy Meldrum	Verrado High School	Buckeye	Arizona
Xochilt Melendez Munguia	Gainesville Middle School for the Arts and Sciences	Gainesville	Virginia
Kris Milby	Greenup County High School	Greenup	Kentucky
Dana Monteiro	Frederick Douglass Academy	New York	New York
Shelby Montgomery	George Jenkins High School	Lakeland	Florida
David Moore	Inspire Charter Academy	Baton Rouge	Louisiana
Ryan Moseley	Appoquinimink High School	Middletown	Delaware
David Moss	West Hopkins School	Nebo	Kentucky
Deborah	Gunderson Middle School	Las Vegas	Nevada
Muhlenbruck-Fleischer Vicki Nichols	Cranduiou Flamenton	Crandviou	Toyoo
	Grandview Elementary	Grandview Bismarck	Texas
Jeremy Overbeck	Century High School		North Dakota
John Pachence	Penn State Abington	Abington Skokie	Pennsylvania
Jennifer Page	Niles North High School	Gilbert	Illinois
Matthew Pitts	Robert JC Rice Elementary School		Arizona
Courtney Powers	Muhammad Ali School 23	Passaic	New Jersey
Natalie Pratt	Brentwood High School	Brentwood	Tennessee
William Rank	Oak Prairie Junior High School	Lockport	Illinois
Brett Rankin	Wilde Lake High School	Columbia	Maryland
Annie Ray	Annandale High School	Annandale	Virginia
Tracy Resseguie	Staley High School	Kansas City	Missouri
Giovanni Santos	La Sierra University	Riverside	California
Ruth Schwartz	Chugiak High School and Mirror Lake Middle School	Chugiak	Alaska
Laura Shapovalov	Walden III Middle and High School	Racine	Wisconsin
James Sheffer	Medford Memorial Middle School and Haines Sixth Grade Center	Medford	New Jersey
Matthew Shephard	Meridian Early College High School	Sanford	Michigan
Dylan Sims	York Middle School	York	South Carolina



Thomas Slater	Chestnut Oaks Middle School	Sumter	South Carolina
Michele Slone	Urbana Elementary and Jr. High School	Urbana	Ohio
Tony Small	St. Vincent Pallotti Arts Academy	Laurel	Maryland
Andrew Smith	Charlotte Central School	Charlotte	Vermont
Wayne Splettstoeszer	Torrington High School	Torrington	Connecticut
Elizabeth Steege	Cass High School	Racine	Wisconsin
Lawrence Stoffel	California State University, Northridge	Los Angeles	California
Tyler Swick	Robert and Sandy Ellis Elementary	Henderson	Nevada
Elizabeth Taylor	La Crosse Elementary School	La Crosse	Virginia
Cami Tedoldi	Foxborough High School	Foxborough	Massachusetts
Kylie Teston	Leonardtown High School	Leonardtown	Maryland
Jonathan Todd	Palisades High School	Charlotte	North Carolina
Matthew Trevino	Roan Forest Elementary	San Antonio	Texas
Alexis True	Thomas Downey High School	Modesto	California
Gregory Urban	Dunedin Highland Middle School	Dunedin	Florida
Jon Usher	Hidden Springs Elementary	Moreno Valley	California
Michael Vasquez	Charles L. Kuentz Jr. Elementary	Helotes	Texas
Aaron Vogel	Mountain Ridge High School	Glendale	Arizona
Bryen Warfield	Homestead High School	Fort Wayne	Indiana
Sarah Wehmeier Aparicio	Waukesha South High School	Waukesha	Wisconsin
Christopher White	Hickory Ridge High School	Harrisburg	North Carolina
Tammy White	Kiser Middle School	Greensboro	North Carolina
Tyron Williams	New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities IV	Far Rockaway	New York
Krista Williams	Floretta P. Carson Visual and Performing Arts Academy	Mobile	Alabama
Kelly Winovich	Northgate Middle/Senior High School	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania
Hayley Winslow	Snow Canyon Middle School	Saint George	Utah
Ronnie Ziccardi	Avonworth	Pittsburgh	Pennsylvania

WHEN: The **semi-finalists** will be announced in **September**. For more information, please visit **www.grammymusicteacher.com**.

ABOUT THE GRAMMY MUSEUM

The GRAMMY Museum is a nonprofit organization dedicated to cultivating a greater understanding of the history and significance of music through exhibits, education, grants, preservation initiatives, and public



programming. Paying tribute to our collective musical heritage, the Museum explores and celebrates all aspects of the art form — from the technology of the recording process to the legends who've made lasting marks on our cultural identity.

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