

****MEDIA ALERT FOR JUNE 15 – NOV. 15, 2016****

APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR 2017 JANE ORTNER EDUCATION AWARD PRESENTED BY THE GRAMMY MUSEUM®

Winner To Be Honored At Annual Star-Studded Ceremony In Spring 2017

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WHO: Applications are now open for the **2017 Jane Ortner Education Award**. To apply, visit **JaneOrtnerEducationAward.org**. The award honors K-12 academic teachers who use music in the classroom as a powerful educational tool. The **deadline** to apply is **Nov. 15, 2016**. The Jane Ortner Education Award is open to K-12 educators who integrate music into teaching academic subjects, such as social science/history, English language arts, math, science, and other academic subjects.

Middle school teacher **Jonathan Bernal** from Hesperia, Calif., was selected as the recipient of the 2016 Jane Ortner Education Award. He was honored April 4, 2016, at a luncheon in Beverly Hills, Calif., that featured performances by 2016 **Jane Ortner Artist Award** recipient and GRAMMY® winner **Lady Gaga**, and GRAMMY winner **John Legend**, the inaugural recipient of the Jane Ortner Artist Award.

WHAT: Building on the Museum's successful education programs and initiatives, the Jane Ortner Education Award for teachers was established by the GRAMMY Museum in partnership with Chuck Ortner — entertainment attorney, Museum Board member and husband of the late Jane Ortner, a devoted and beloved public school teacher who valued music as a tool for reaching academic subjects and building confidence and community.

Teachers who apply for the Jane Ortner Education Award will be eligible for scholarships and prizes, and professional development opportunities. The recipient of the Jane Ortner Education Award will be recognized at a star-studded event in spring 2017. The Jane Ortner Education Award program offers professional development for teachers and a free online library of music-integrated curricula. The program is part of the GRAMMY Museum's education initiatives, which reach more than 30,000 youth annually through Museum tours, educational workshops and summer and after-school programs.

WHEN: The deadline to apply for the 2017 Jane Ortner Education Award is Nov. 15, 2016. Educators can apply by visiting JaneOrtnerEducationAward.org.

About the GRAMMY Museum at L.A. LIVE

The GRAMMY Museum is an independent, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization created as a partnership between The Recording Academy and AEG. Paying tribute to music's rich cultural history, the one-of-a-kind, 21st century Museum explores and celebrates the enduring legacies of all forms of music, the creative process, the art and technology of the recording process, and the history of the premier recognition of excellence in recorded music. The GRAMMY Museum features 30,000 square feet of interactive permanent and traveling exhibits, with four floors of dynamic and engaging multimedia presentations, and is located within L.A. LIVE, the downtown Los Angeles sports, entertainment and residential district. Through thought-provoking and dynamic public and educational programs and exhibits, guests will experience music from a never-before-seen insider perspective that only the GRAMMY Museum can deliver. For more information, please call 213-765-6800 or visit www.grammymuseum.org. For breaking news and exclusive content, follow @TheGRAMMYMuseum on Twitter and Instagram, and like "The GRAMMY Museum" on Facebook.