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## New York State Music Educators Selected as Quarterfinalists in Grammy Music Educator Program

Westbury, NY - June 13, 2022 - The New York State School Music Association is proud to announce that sixteen (16) New York music educators are among two hundred seven (207) across the country named *Quarterfinalists* in the Grammy Music Educator Award™ program, a joint partnership and presentation of the Recording Academy® and GRAMMY Museum®. The winning recipient will be recognized during GRAMMY® Week 2023.

Each year, one recipient is selected from ten (10) finalists and recognized for their remarkable impact on students' lives. The winning honoree will be flown to Los Angeles to attend the Sixty-Fifth (65th) Annual GRAMMY Awards® and a range of GRAMMY Week events. New York State music educators selected as quarterfinalists include:

Phil Aguglia  
Kenmore East High School  
Tonawanda

Colette Hebert  
Yonkers Public Schools  
Yonkers

Brendon Lucas  
Nyack Middle School  
Nyack

Tiffany Chiang  
Mark Twain I.S. 239  
Brooklyn

Kristin Howell  
Syosset High School  
Syosset

Phillip McMullen  
Silver Creek Central Schools  
Silver Creek

Maria Del Valle Brin  
The Equity Project Charter School  
New York

Mia Ibrahim  
Health Opportunities High School  
Bronx

Dana Monteiro  
Frederick Douglass Academy  
New York

Antoine Dolberry  
P.S. 103 Hector Fontanez School  
Bronx

Luis Ingels  
BASIS Independent Brooklyn  
Brooklyn

Carrie Pawelski  
Jefferson Middle School  
Jamestown

Mansa Gory  
Denzel Washington School of the Arts  
Mount Vernon

Hope Lewis  
Charles O. Dickerson High School  
Trumansburg

Alice Tsui  
New Bridges Elementary  
Brooklyn

Tyron Williams  
New Visions Charter High School for the Humanities IV  
Far Rockaway

According to their website: *the award was established to recognize current educators (kindergarten through college, 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.*

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