



GRAMMY FOUNDATION®

*****MEDIA ALERT FOR FRIDAY, OCT. 3, 2014 — SATURDAY, JAN. 6, 2015*****

THE GRAMMY FOUNDATION® ANNOUNCES 17TH ANNUAL ENTERTAINMENT LAW INITIATIVE® WRITING COMPETITION

Scholarship Program For Promising Entertainment Law Students Awards Cash Scholarships; Winning Papers To Be Presented At Annual ELI Luncheon on Feb. 6, 2015, During GRAMMY® Week

WHAT: The GRAMMY Foundation® has launched its **17th Annual Entertainment Law Initiative® Writing Competition**, co-sponsored by the American Bar Association. The ELI Writing Competition invites law students to write a 3,000-word paper on a compelling legal topic facing the music industry today. To encourage applications, the GRAMMY Foundation hosts ELI Writing Competition workshops at prominent law schools around the country with the goal of helping students with their essays. A **cash scholarship** of \$5,000 will be awarded to the author of the **winning paper** and \$1,500 will be awarded to each of **four runners-up**. **Additionally, each winner will receive airfare, hotel accommodations and a ticket to the 57th Annual GRAMMY Awards®**, which will be held at STAPLES Center on Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015. The telecast will be broadcast live on the CBS Television Network at 8 p.m. ET/PT. In addition, the winners receive invitations to other GRAMMY® Week activities, including the prestigious annual **ELI Luncheon on Feb. 6**. The winning students will present their essays at the luncheon. Past **luncheon keynote speakers** include **Tom Brokaw, Edgar Bronfman Jr., Ron Conway, Clive Davis, Daniel Ek, Timothy J. Leiweke**, and GRAMMY Foundation Board member **will.i.am**, among others.

RULES:

- Contest is open to law students
- Write a 3,000-word essay on a compelling legal issue facing the music industry
- For complete contest rules, visit www.entertainmentlawinitiative.com; for further questions, send an email to loren.fishbein@grammy.com.

DEADLINES:

- Submissions must be received by **Jan. 6, 2015 (1 p.m. ET /10 a.m. PT)**
- Winners will be announced on **Jan. 27, 2015**

The GRAMMY Foundation was established in 1988 to cultivate the understanding, appreciation and advancement of the contribution of recorded music to American culture. The Foundation accomplishes this mission through programs and activities that engage the music industry and cultural community as well as the general public. The Foundation works in partnership year-round with its founder, The Recording Academy®, to bring national attention to important issues such as the value and impact of music and arts education and the urgency of preserving our rich cultural heritage. In recognition of the significant role of teachers in shaping their students' musical experiences, The Recording Academy and the GRAMMY Foundation partnered to present the first Music Educator Award™ in 2014. Open to current U.S. music teachers in kindergarten through college, the Music Educator Award will be presented at the Special Merit Awards Ceremony & Nominees Reception during GRAMMY Week 2015. For more information about the Music Educator Award, please visit GRAMMYSchoolTeacher.com. For more information about the Foundation, please visit www.grammyfoundation.org. For breaking news and exclusive content, please like "GRAMMY in the Schools" on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/GRAMMYintheSchools), follow the GRAMMY Foundation on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/GRAMMYFdn) (@GRAMMYFdn) and join us on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/GRAMMYFdn) (@GRAMMYFdn).

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