



GRAMMY FOUNDATION®

*****MEDIA ALERT FOR OCT. 22, 2015 — JAN. 6, 2016*****

GRAMMY FOUNDATION® ANNOUNCES 18TH 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. 12, 2016, During GRAMMY® Week

WHAT: The GRAMMY Foundation® has launched its **18th Annual Entertainment Law Initiative® Writing Competition**, co-sponsored by the ABA Forum on the Entertainment and Sports Industries. The ELI Writing Competition invites law students to write a 3,000-word paper on a compelling legal topic facing the music industry today. A **cash scholarship of \$5,000** will be awarded to the author of the **winning paper**, and **\$1,500** will be awarded to **four runners-up**. **Additionally, each winner will receive airfare, hotel accommodations and a ticket to the 58th Annual GRAMMY Awards®**, which will be held at STAPLES Center on Monday, Feb. 15, 2016. 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. 12, 2016**, where the winning students will present their essays. 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.

WHERE: Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows
101 Wilshire Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90401

PARKING: \$15 Valet

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, email 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, 2016**

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 GRAMMY Foundation and The Recording Academy have partnered to present an annual Music Educator Award™. Open to current U.S. music teachers in kindergarten through college, the Music Educator Award will be given out during GRAMMY Week 2016. For more information about our music education programs, please visit www.grammyintheschools.com. For breaking news and exclusive content, please "like" GRAMMY in the Schools on Facebook, follow the GRAMMY Foundation on Twitter @GRAMMYFdn and join us on Instagram @GRAMMYFdn.

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