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**OREGON MUSIC HALL OF FAME**

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**CHANGE OF VENUE**  
(Due to temporary closure of Mark Lindsay's R&R Cafe)

**New location - Laurelwood Public House, 5115 NE Sandy Blvd**

**Portland, Oregon: 5:30pm on Tuesday May 13, 2008**

**Oregon Music Hall of Fame Presents (4) High School Graduating Seniors  
with \$1000 Music Education University Scholarships**

Music + academics + hard work = OMHOF Scholarship. The OMHOF board studied a wealth of scholarship applications for 2007-2008 and awarded four graduating seniors each \$1000 towards their University Music education.

The award presentations and a short performance from each winner will be enjoyed by their music instructors, family, friends, media and the OMHOF board directors at the Laurelwood Public House, at 5115 NE Sandy Blvd in Portland.

The four scholarship winners include: Ryan Andersen of Rex Putman H.S.-drums & percussion, Rob Elmer of Benson H.S.-trombone & voice, Rick Vranish of Sunset H.S.-clarinet, saxophone, percussion, conducting, Michelle Leipzig of Valley Catholic-Piano & Cello. All awarded were exceptional students academically, also.

Terry Currier, President of OMHOF, stated, "Since OMHOF's inception in 2004, our main goal is to support and encourage music education in our schools. We are ecstatic that OMHOF is able to present deserving students assistance to pursue their musical careers as educators and performers."

Oregon Schools have lost or have minimal music programs as of 2008. OMHOF's involvement in drumming up enthusiasm through the students could be the voice needed. If the students ask for music programs through example and the community expresses the need to the education curriculum decision-makers, we are on the road to music education recovery.

The Oregon Music Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization that began in 2004. OMHOF has a dedicated, non-paid board of seven music and education minded directors with a mission to promote and support music education in our schools while paying tribute and preserving our rich musical heritage.

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