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

Portland, Oregon: 5:30pm on May 13, 2008 –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 OMHOF Museum (Mark Lindsay's Rock and Roll Café-Upstairs, 4160 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland, OR 97212). The awards will be presented by the OMHOF Board Directors and Mark Lindsay of Paul Revere and the Raiders fame.

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."

The Mark Lindsay's Rock and Roll Cafe is going to discount all meals purchased by our scholarship winners, their families and friends by 10%. They are also going to give another 10% of the evening's proceeds to OMHOF in order for us to continue supporting music in Oregon by doing things such as giving out scholarships to talented young musicians!

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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