education through MUSIC los angeles

2015-2016 Annual Report

10 years

of providing quality music education.

A COMMITMENT TO OUR MISSION

Education Through Music-Los Angeles partners with inner-city schools with the mission to provide and promote music in disadvantaged schools as a part of the core curriculum for every child to enhance students' academic achievement, creativity and overall development.

IN-SCHOOL MUSIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Education Through Music-Los Angeles (ETM-LA) integrated its in-school music programs for under-served student populations with the mission to provide and promote the integration of music into the curriculum of disadvantaged schools in order to enhance students' academic performance, creativity, and general development.

ETM-LA provides each of our partner schools with a 45-minute weekly music class on a yearlong basis. These classes provide an assortment of musical disciplines including violin, cello, guitar, recorder, general music, and chorus. Each school's programs are tailored to meet the needs of each specific population based on the vision of the school's principal, with the guidance of an ETM-LA consultant or mentor. Students at all partner schools performed in two concerts to showcase their musical learning in the fall and spring semesters.

OUR PARTNER SCHOOLS

To support the quality of instruction in the classroom and teaching artist's ability to educate children, ETM-LA provided ongoing mentorship and evaluation of our music teachers by multiple staff (Executive Director, Program Director, and Mentor Teacher Supervisors). On August 15-19, 2016, ETM-LA held our week-long, intensive Summer Training Institute for new and returning music teachers and guest teaching artists from other arts organizations. ETM-LA welcomed representatives from our partner schools for the annual Summer Training Institute with workshops educating teachers how best to bring music to their schools with limited funding. The training workshop featured special guest, Richard Meyer – a recently retired full-time teacher in the public schools who has taught music students at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels for over 30 years. He taught instrumental music at both the middle and high school levels in the Pasadena Unified School District for 12 years before taking the position of directing the elementary string programs and orchestras at Oak Avenue Intermediate School in Temple City Unified School District.

20 schools 10,000 students

Castelar Elementary (since 2007)

Cleveland Elementary (since 2012)

Dorris Place Elementary (since 2007)

El Dorado Elementary (since 2011)

Foster Elementary (since 2011)

Guardian Angel School (since 2013)

Hooper Avenue Elementary (since 2015)

ICEF VISTA Academy (since 2015)

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McKinley Elementary School *[Compton]* **(since 2015)**

McKinley Elementary School *[Burbank]* **(since 2015)**

Normandie Elementary School (since 2015)

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Our Lady of the Holy Rosary (since 2012)

Providencia Elementary (since 2011)

Resurrection School (since 2014)

Rio Vista Elementary (since 2008)

Washington Elementary (since 2013)

Webster Elementary (since 2014)

West Hollywood Elementary (since 2010)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Principals Leadership Conference

At ETM-LA's 7th Annual Principals Leadership Conference on January 15, 2016, partner school principals and school leaders joined together to share and learn best practices on building sustainable music programs within their schools. This conference was attended by veteran principals, new school leaders, development directors, and parents who play key roles in developing their schools' music and arts programs.

Annual Summer Academy

Professional development for academic teachers was held throughout the year including the Summer Training Institute, Fall trainings, Winter trainings, and Spring trainings. Mentor Teacher Supervisors provided professional development support to their cohorts of teachers. Certification trainings in areas such as Kodály, Orff, and Suzuki.
Through their participation in music classes and learning alongside their students. By joining the music learning, teachers explore and develop:

- Thinking skills and connect areas common to music and other academic subjects that can support learning
- Value of teaching music inside and outside the academic classroom
- Lastly, coordination of instruction of reinforce the identified skills and content

CONNECTING WITH THE COMMUNITY

ETM-LA spent the day on May 14, 2016 sharing music and helping young students and families explore new instruments at a musical petting zoo. It was a great turnout with an estimated 1,100 people at Los Angeles Unified School District's Northeast Arts Festival. Volunteers like Steve Blumenthal (pictured above) demonstrated and helped students and families try out instruments at the event.

OUR YEAR IN REVIEW 2015-2016

September 1, 2015

ETM-LA begins the school year with 22 partner schools across Los Angeles County. See page 4 for a complete list of partner schools.

March 8, 2016

6th Annual Music Unites the World Festival features nearly 200 students and guest artists Randy Spendlove (President of Worldwide Music & Publishing, Paramount), Emily Reola (Head of Performing Arts, Harvard-Westlake School), CeCe Sammy (Vocal Coach, *American Idol*), and Jeff Bunnell (Recording Artist, Trumpet, *Inside Out*, *Jurassic World*)

April 5, 2016

Band students from Rio Vista Elementary School are invited to perform in a benefit hosted by Protravel International at The London West Hollywood.

June 2, 2016

Rio Vista Elementary School students meet and perform for Composer Alan Menken (Disney's *Little Mermaid, Aladdin, Beauty and the Beast*) at Sony Studios.

December 6, 2015

10th Anniversary Benefit Gala honoring Dr. Asuncion Ojeda (Music Teacher, L.A.U.S.D) and Randy Spendlove (President of Worldwide Music & Publishing, Paramount) features host Erik McCormack, Common, En Vogue, Michelle Branch, John Rzeznik of Goo Goo Dolls, Black Rebel Motorcycle Club, and more.

March 16, 2016

Composer Edward Rogers of *Bloodline*, *Warehouse13*, and *NYPD Blue* visited ICEF Vista Elementary Academy to share the importance of music in film and television. Students learned about the extraordinary role music plays in film and television media by seeing, listening to, and discussing clips from Rogers' work.

April 16, 2016

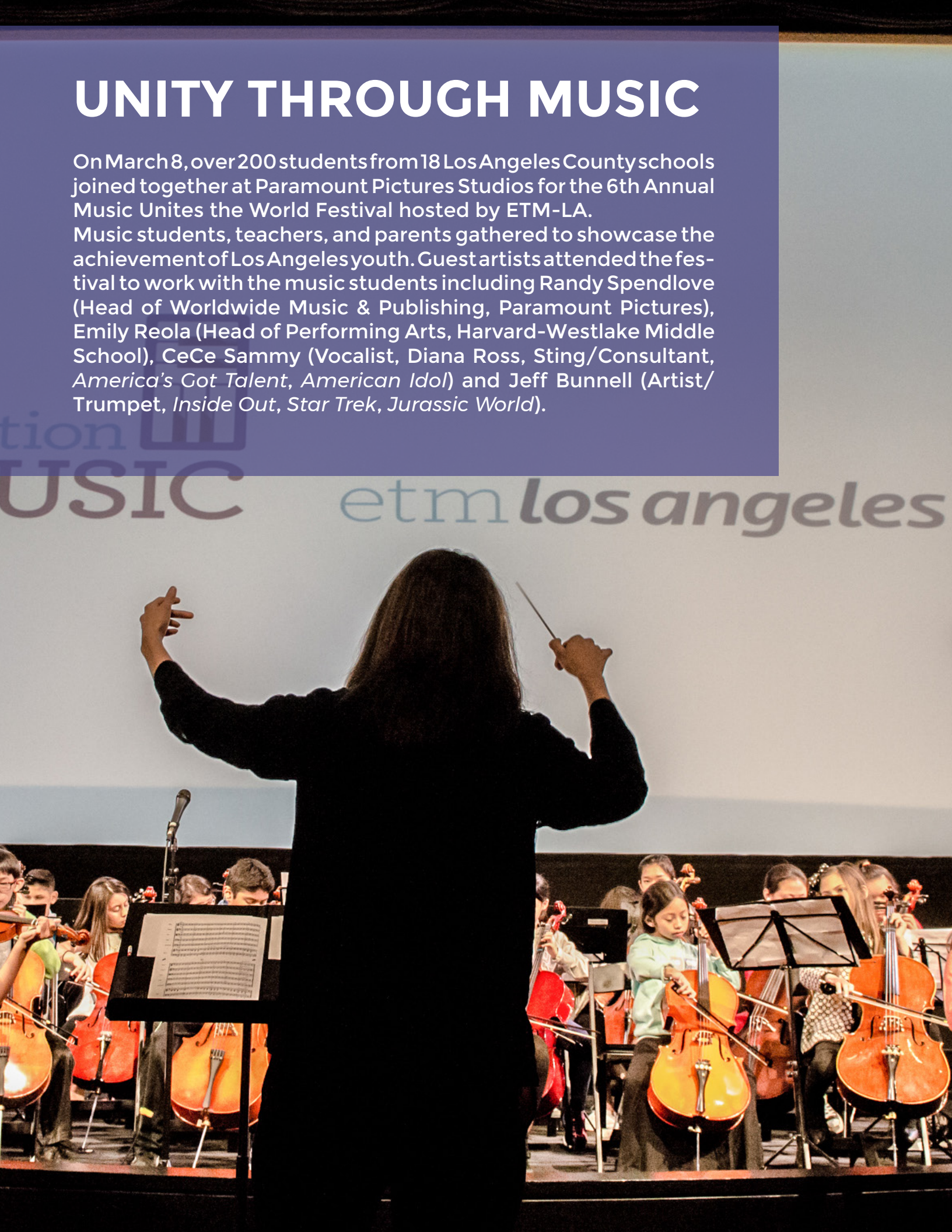
5th Annual Keep the Music Playing Benefit features Billy Childs and Thelonius Monk Institute Artists.

August 24, 2016

Country Music Hall of Fame partners with ETM-LA to provide a songwriting class at Dorris Place Elementary School with Songwriters Liz Rose (Grammy-Winner, Taylor Swift) and Phil Barton.

UNITY THROUGH MUSIC

On March 8, over 200 students from 18 Los Angeles County schools joined together at Paramount Pictures Studios for the 6th Annual Music Unites the World Festival hosted by ETM-LA.
Music students, teachers, and parents gathered to showcase the achievement of Los Angeles youth. Guest artists attended the festival to work with the music students including Randy Spendlove (Head of Worldwide Music & Publishing, Paramount Pictures), Emily Reola (Head of Performing Arts, Harvard-Westlake Middle School), CeCe Sammy (Vocalist, Diana Ross, Sting/Consultant, *America's Got Talent*, *American Idol*) and Jeff Bunnell (Artist/Trumpet, *Inside Out*, *Star Trek*, *Jurassic World*).



GUEST ARTISTS AND MORE

Meet & Greet with Patrick Doyle

ETM-LA hosted Composer Patrick Doyle on October 1, 2015. Doyle has worked on films such as *Cinderella*, *Brave*, *Thor*, *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire*, and *Sense & Sensibility*. The composer met with ETM-LA families, friends and fans for an interview moderated by Walt Disney Imagineering Music Director John Dennis.

Patrick Doyle | ETM-LA

Students Meet and Perform for Composer Alan Menken at Sony

Rio Vista Elementary School, an ETM-LA partner school, performed at Sony Studios on June 2, 2016 for composer Alan Menken, known for his work with Disney's *Aladdin*, *Little Mermaid*, and *Beauty and the Beast*. The students performed the song "Under the Sea."

Alan Menken | Sony Studios

Students Co-write Song with Grammy-Winning Songwriter

In late August 2016, 6th grade students at Dorris Place Elementary School, an ETM-LA partner school, learned from Grammy-Winning country music songwriter Liz Rose (best known for her work with Taylor Swift) and Phil Barton in partnership with the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum's Words & Music program. The students rehearsed a song they co-wrote under the direction of Rose and Barton called "Far and Wide" that they performed in September 2016 as part of the "All For the Hall" concert at the Novo DTLA. The children worked with Rose and Barton through Skype to craft the words and music.

Liz Rose & Phil Barton | Dorris Place Elementary

Keep the Music Playing

The 5th Annual Keep the Music Playing Benefit welcomed special guests Billy Childs, Grammy-Winning jazz pianist and composer as well as Thelonius Monk Institute Artists. The event took place on April 16, 2016 at the home of ETM-LA Board of Directors Chairman Booker White. The event benefited ETM-LA programs.

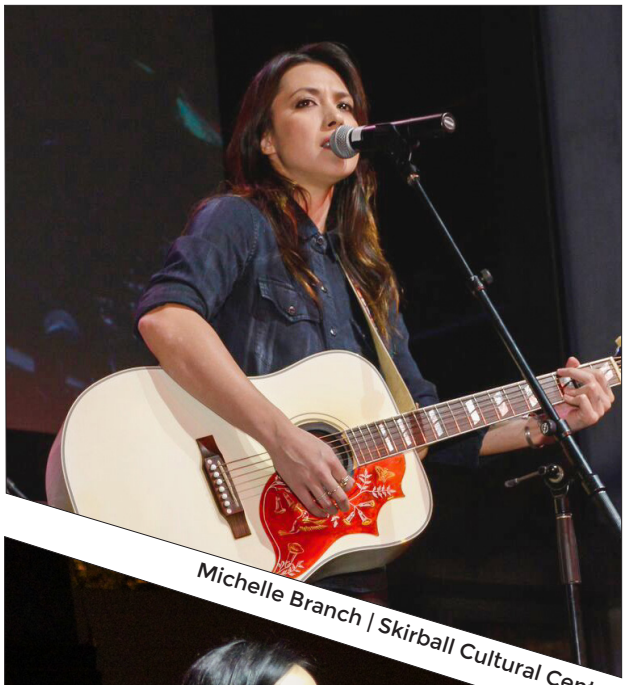
Billy Childs | Home of Booker White

10th Anniversary Benefit Gala

On December 6, 2015, ETM-LA honored Paramount Pictures' President of Worldwide Music & Publishing Randy Spendlove and Music Teacher (Los Angeles Unified School District) Asuncion Ojeda at the Skirball Cultural Center. Each year, the Shining Stars are awarded to individuals whose contributions through music have changed lives.

The evening, hosted by Will and Grace star Eric McCormack, included performances by Goo Goo Dolls lead singer John Rzeznik, En Vogue, Michelle Branch, Black Rebel Motorcycle Club, and Randy Spendlove's "Jam Band" which included Jimmie Wood and Joe Kramer, and Composers John Debney and Brian Tyler. Common, who won an Academy Award® for Best Original Song for Paramount Pictures' *Selma*, was on hand to present Spendlove's Shining Star Award.

Common was also honored that night as more than 50 students from Education Through Music-LA Partner Schools performed the Academy Award® and Golden Globe-Winning song "Glory" from *Selma*.



Michelle Branch | Skirball Cultural Center

Victoria Lanier | Skirball Cultural Center

Randy Spendlove | Skirball Cultural Center

ETM-LA Students | Skirball Cultural Center

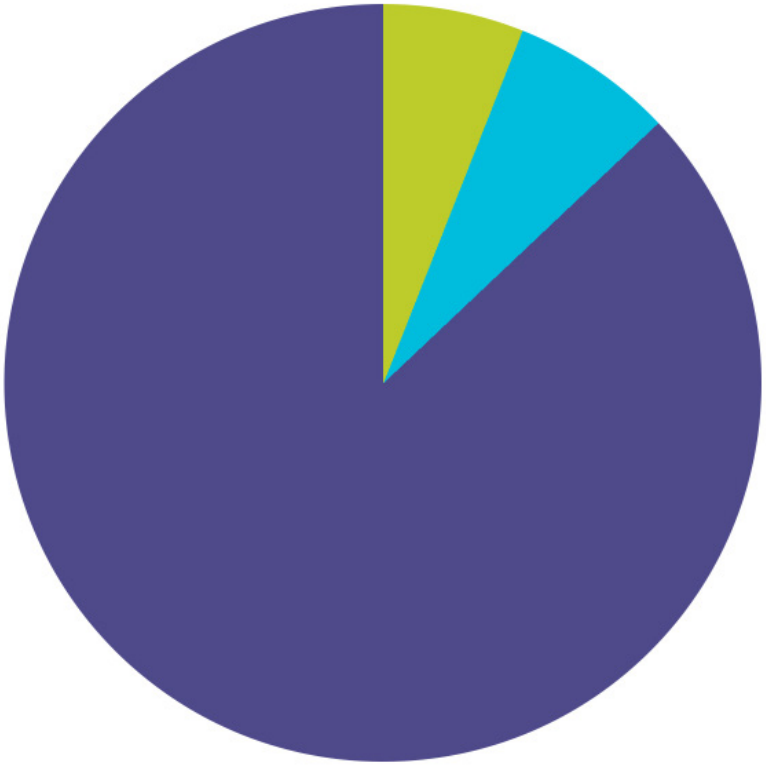
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

September 1, 2015 - August 31, 2016

		Unrestricted	Temporarily Restricted	Total
PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE				
Public Support:				
Contributions		$ 428,571	$ 203,000	$ 631,571
Government Grants		57,960	-	57,960
Board Support		46,250	-	46,250
Special Event Revenue	$ 355,751			
Less: Cost of Direct Benefits to Donors	(88,880)			
Net Revenues from Special Events		266,871	-	266,871
In-kind Contributions (Note 2-E)		48,347	-	48,347
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT		847,999	203,000	1,050,999
Program Fees		378,532	-	378,532
Net Assets Released from Restrictions		140,795	(140,795)	-
TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE		1,367,326	62,205	1,429,531
EXPENSES				
Programs		1,132,588	-	1,132,588
Management and General		93,076	-	93,076
Fundraising		83,580	-	83,580
TOTAL EXPENSES		1,309,244	-	1,309,244
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS		58,082	62,205	120,287
NET ASSETS				
Beginning of the Year		693,864	54,795	748,659
End of the Year		$ 751,946	$ 117,000	$ 868,946

**Excerpt from Financial Audit Statement, Miller Kaplan Arase LLP. To request complete copy, contact ETM-LA.*

EXPENSE RATIOS
2015-2016



Program Services
86.51%

Management and General
7.11%

Fundraising
6.38%

INCOME SOURCES
2015-2016

Individual, Corporate, Foundation Contributions
44.18%

Program Fees
26.48%

Special Event Revenue
18.67%

Government Grants
4.05%

In-Kind
3.38%

Board Support
3.24%

THANK YOU TO OUR CONTRIBUTORS, VOLUNTEERS, PARTNER SCHOOLS, PRINCIPALS, PARENTS AND STAFF FOR HELPING TO GIVE OUR CHILDREN COMPREHENSIVE MUSIC EDUCATION AS PART OF THE CORE CURRICULUM.

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Cleveland Elementary School
Partner Since: 2012
Principal Shannon Malone
Pasadena

Dorris Place Elementary
Partner Since: 2012
Principal Susan Grant
Elysian Park

El Dorado Elementary School
Partner Since: 2007
Principal Adan Martinez
Northeast San Fernando Valley

Foster Elementary School
Partner Since: 2011
Principal Jacqueline Sanderlin
Compton

George Washington Elementary
Partner Since: 2013
Principal Brandi Young
Burbank

Guardian Angel School
Partner Since: 2013
Principal Mario Landeros
Pacoima

Hooper Avenue Elementary
Partner Since: 2015
Principal Robin Polito-Shuffer
Los Angeles

ICEF VISTA Academy
Partner Since: 2015
Director Kristen Buczek
Los Angeles

Ingenium Charter School
Partner Since: 2015
Principal: Copper Stoll
Canoga Park

KIPP Iluminar Academy
Partner Since: 2013
Principal: Mara Bond
East Los Angeles

McKinley Elementary School
Partner Since: 2015
Principal Dr. Jennifer Kang-Moon
Compton

McKinley Elementary School
Partner Since: 2015
Principal Liz Costella
Burbank

Normandie Elementary School
Partner Since: 2015
Principal Dr. Gustavo Ortiz
Los Angeles

Norwood Elementary School
Partner Since: 2010
Principal Bruce Onodera
Central LA

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary
Partner Since: 2012
Principal Sr. Maria Remedios
Sun Valley

Providencia Elementary School
Partner Since: 2011
Principal Jennifer Culbertson
Burbank

Resurrection Elementary
Parnter Since: 2014
Principal Angelica Figueroa
Los Angeles

Rio Vista Elementary School
Partner Since: 2008
Principal Pia Sadaqatmal
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Webster Elementary
Parnter Since: 2014
Principal Jeffery Bauer
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