

PRESS RELEASE

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The Canadian Music Educators' Association/L'Association canadienne des musiciens éducateurs is pleased to announce the winners of the 2016 National Undergraduate and Graduate Student Essay Competitions. The jurors were treated to twenty-three undergraduate and eight graduate papers, for a total of thirty submissions. This year's winners are:

DR. FRANKLIN CHURCHLEY GRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION:

FIRST PLACE: MARGARET ALISON McHUGH, MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

Essay title: "Motivational Needs in the Private Music Studio"

Faculty advisor: DR. ANDREA ROSE

SECOND PLACE: ALANA HARTERY, MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

Essay title: "Music as a Vehicle for Connecting Schools and Communities"

Faculty Advisor: DR. ANDREA ROSE

THIRD PLACE: JENNIFER GOWAN, WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Essay title: "Musical Futures Canada: An Exploration of Current and Future Adaptations to the UK-Born Approach"

Faculty Advisor: Dr. PAUL WOODFORD

KENNETH BRAY UNDERGRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION:

FIRST PLACE: ANNA MOREAU, MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

Essay title: "Increasing Self-Esteem and Confidence through Singing"

Faculty advisor: DR. ANDREA ROSE

SECOND PLACE: MOLLY RASTIN, UNIVERSITY OF WINDSOR

Essay title: "The Silenced Voice: Exploring Transgender Issues within Western Choirs"

Faculty advisor: DR. JANICE WALDRON

THIRD PLACE (TIE): KELLY PERCHARD, MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

Essay title: “Bullying in Canadian Secondary School Music Programs”

Faculty advisor: DR. ANDREA ROSE

THIRD PLACE (TIE): CHRIS KIM, UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Essay Title: “Bridging the Gap between Classically-Trained University Music Educators and Classroom Music Pedagogy”

Faculty advisor: Dr. Nasim Niknafs

All submissions were blind reviewed by two reviewers. All have outstanding credentials and offered a considerable amount of time to reading and critiquing the submissions.

The jurors for the undergraduate essay competition were:

- Dr. Bernard Andrews, University of Ottawa
- Dr. Dean Jobin Bevans, Lakehead University
- Dr. Ben Bolden, Queen’s University
- Dr. Lori Anne Dolloff, University of Toronto
- Dr. Karen Lee, University of British Columbia
- Dr. Marta McCarthy, University of Guelph
- Dr. Amanda Montgomery, University of Alberta
- Dr. Nasim Niknafs, University of Toronto
- Dr. Anita Prest, University of Victoria
- Dr. Ruth Wright, Western University

The jurors for the graduate essay competition were:

- Ki Adams, Professor Emeritus, Memorial University
- Dr. Rodger Beatty, Brock University
- Dr. Betty Hanley, Professor Emeritus, University of Victoria
- Dr. Patrick Schmidt, Western University

Special thanks is offered to all those who participated in the competition, including students, faculty advisors, and reviewers. Together, we all make a difference in promoting Canadian music education.

Dr. Mary Kennedy, Chair

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