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The Canadian Music Educators' Association/L'Association canadienne des musiciens éducateurs is pleased to announce the winners of the 2013 National Undergraduate and Graduate Student Essay Competitions. The jurors were treated to thirty undergraduate and five graduate papers, for a total of thirty-five submissions! This year's winners are:

DR. FRANKLIN CHURCHLEY GRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION:

FIRST PLACE: ARIEL SWAN, MCGILL UNIVERSITY

Essay title: "Métis Fiddling: A Hidden Canadian Legacy"

Faculty advisor: DR. LISA LORENZINO

KENNETH BRAY UNDERGRADUATE ESSAY COMPETITION:

FIRST PLACE: MELISSA LALONDE, WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Essay title: "Reshaping Competition to Redefine Music Education"

Faculty advisor: DR. PAUL WOODFORD

SECOND PLACE: MORGAN WAGNER, UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Essay title: "Creating Creativity"

Faculty advisor: DR. JUNE COUNTRYMAN

THIRD PLACE: EMILY EMBERTON, UNIVERSITY OF PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

Essay title: "The Power of Music: Opening Our Minds to Imagine a Better Life"

Faculty advisor: DR. JUNE COUNTRYMAN

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. Jeremy Brown, University of Calgary
- Dr. David Buley, Laurentian University
- Dr. Nancy Dawe, Memorial University of Newfoundland
- Dr. Lori-Anne Dolloff, University of Toronto
- Dr. Marta McCarthy, University of Guelph
- Dr. Darrin Oehlerking, University of Saskatchewan
- Dr. Kathy Robinson, University of Alberta
- Dr. Sheila Scott, University of Brandon
- Dr. Nancy Vogan, Professor Emerita, Mount Allison University
- Dr. Janice Waldron, University of Windsor

The jurors for the graduate essay competition were:

- Dr. Susan O'Neill, Simon Fraser University
- Dr. Paul Woodford, 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. Shelley Griffin, Chair

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