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2013 HERB ALPERT YOUNG JAZZ COMPOSER AWARD RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

New York, NY January 28, 2013: ASCAP Foundation President Paul Williams has announced the recipients of the 2013 Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Awards. Established by The ASCAP Foundation in 2002 to encourage gifted jazz composers under the age of 30, the program now carries the name of the great trumpeter and ASCAP member Herb Alpert in recognition of The Herb Alpert Foundation's multi-year financial commitment to support this unique program. The recipients, who receive cash awards, range in age from 10 to 30, and are selected through a juried national competition.

Commenting on the awards, Paul Williams said, "The talented young music creators we recognize through this program represent the future of jazz composition. We congratulate the recipients and extend thanks to the dedicated panel of ASCAP composers who selected the honorees. We are delighted to partner with the Herb Alpert Foundation in this significant endeavor."

The 2013 Herb Alpert Young Jazz Composer Award recipients are listed with their age, current residence, and place of origin: Nii Akwei Adoteye, age 26 of South Miami, FL (Springfield, VA), Quentin Angus, age 25 of New York, NY (Mount Pleasant, Australia); Elliot Deutsch, age 29 of Pasadena, CA (Tarzana, CA); Angelo Di Loreto, age 22 of New York, NY (Buffalo, NY); Shaul Einav, age 30 of Queens, New York (Israel); Nick Finzer, age 24 of New York, NY (Rochester, NY); Addison Frei, age 21 of Denton, TX (Lawrence, KS); Alexander Goodman, age 25 of New York, NY (Toronto, Canada); Aaron Hedenstrom, age 24 of Denton, TX (Maseru, Lesotho); George Heid III, age 22 of Pittsburgh, PA (Lewes, DE); Kristopher Johson, age 29 of Ferndale, MI (Detroit, MI); Daniel Kaneyuki, age 25 of Fountain Valley, CA (Huntington Beach, CA); Grace Kelly, age 20 of Dover, MA (Wellesley, MA); Paul Krueger, age 25 of Sioux Falls, SD (Lincoln, NE); Pascal Le Boeuf, age 26 of New York, NY (Santa Cruz, CA); Guy Mintus, age 21 of New York, NY (Tel Aviv, Israel); Aakash Mittal, age 27 of Boulder, CO (Plano, TX); Robert Perez, age 19 of Chino Hills, CA (Covina, CA); Dan Pugach, age 29 of Brooklyn, NY (Raanana, Israel); Arcolris Sandoval, age 25 of New York, NY (Tucson, AZ); Kavita Shah, age 27 of New York, NY; Camille Thurman, age 26 of New York, NY (Queens, NY); Drew Zaremba, age 21 of Southlake, TX (Little Rock, AK); and Zac Zinger, age 24 of Brooklyn, NY (Sewickley, PA).

The youngest ASCAP Foundation Young Jazz Composers, ages 10 to 18 are: Paul Bloom, age 18 (CA); Esteban Castro, age 10 (NY); Marc Harris, age 17 (CA); Albert Newberry, age 13 (VA); Adam O'Farrill, age 18 (NY); and Tissiana Vallecillo, age 11 (AZ).

Composers receiving Honorable Mention are: **Glenda del Monte Escalante**, age 29 of Miami, FL (Havana, Cuba); **Andrew Linn**, age 24 of New York, NY (Laramie, WY); **Curtis Ostle**, age 28 of New York, NY (Washington D.C.); **Jonathan Parker**, age 26 of Rochester, NY (Washington D.C.); **Andrew Rowan**, age 26 of Valencia, CA (New Rochelle, NY); and **Nathan Parker Smith**, age 29 of Brooklyn, NY (Arcata, CA).

The ASCAP composer/judges for the 2013 competition were: **Anat Cohen, Wycliffe Gordon** and **Jay Leonhart**.

Additional funding for this program is provided by The ASCAP Foundation Bart Howard Fund.

About Herb Alpert

Herb Alpert was born in Los Angeles and grew up in a house filled with music. He began his philanthropy in 1982, and with his wife, singer Lani Hall, oversees the Herb Alpert Foundation's commitment to funding the arts and education programs, as well as programs that promote compassion and well-being. The Foundation's significant commitments include the 2007 formation of the UCLA Herb Alpert School of Music, devoted to the performance and study of music in all of its global diversity, as well as the Herb Alpert School of Music at CalArts, the Herb Alpert Scholarships for Emerging Young Artists, and the PS Arts Lawndale Elementary School District Initiative, which has brought arts education to more than four thousand children annually for the past seven years.

The Herb Alpert Foundation, a non-profit, private foundation established in the early 1980's, makes significant annual contributions to a range of programs in the fields of Arts, Arts Education and Compassion and Well Being. Its funding is directed toward projects in which Herb and Lani Alpert and Foundation President Rona Sebastian play an active role. [The Foundation does not accept unsolicited proposals.]

The ASCAP Foundation

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