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The Cleveland Orchestra, in cooperation with the City of Cleveland and the Greater Cleveland Partnership, seeks nominations for eleventh annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award – Deadline December 16, 2013

Awards to recognize an adult, a business or organization, and a youth who have positively impacted Cleveland in the spirit of the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Presentation to take place at The Cleveland Orchestra's Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Concert on January 19, 2014

CLEVELAND – The Cleveland Orchestra, in cooperation with the City of Cleveland and the Greater Cleveland Partnership, through the Commission on Economic Inclusion, is currently accepting nominations for the eleventh annual **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award**, which will be presented at the Orchestra's Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Concert at Severance Hall on Sunday, January 19, 2014, at 7:00 p.m. Awards will be presented in three categories in recognition of the services

and achievements of an adult, a youth, and a business or organization that have positively impacted Cleveland in the spirit of the teachings and example of Dr. King.

Nomination and Selection Process

Members of the community may submit nominations for award consideration. Nomination forms are available through the websites of The Cleveland Orchestra (clevelandorchestra.com), the Greater Cleveland Partnership (gcpartnership.com), the City of Cleveland (<http://www.cleveland-oh.gov/>), or by calling The Cleveland Orchestra's Department of Education and Community Programs, 216-231-7355.

Nomination forms are due by Monday, December 16, 2013, and should be mailed to MLK Community Service Award, Attention: Education and Community Programs, The Cleveland Orchestra, 11001 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44106, or emailed to sjones@clevelandorchestra.com with Subject Line: MLK Community Service Award Nomination.

A panel composed of business and community leaders will select award recipients. The Nomination Committee will be chaired by Robert P. Madison, CEO, Robert P. Madison International, Inc., and a member of the Musical Arts Association Board of Trustees.

To view the criteria for the awards and the nomination form, click [here](#).

Award Presentation and Concert

The Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Service Award will be presented to the selected outstanding adult, youth, and business or organization at The Cleveland Orchestra's 34th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Concert on January 19, 2014. The concert, led by Chelsea Tipton, will take place at Severance Hall at 7:00 p.m., and will feature the Junior Division First Prize winner of the 2013 Sphinx Competition for Black and Latino string players, cellist Lev Mamuya. The Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Chorus, with director and conductor William Henry Caldwell, will also participate in the concert.

Admission to the concert is free, but tickets are required. Tickets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis beginning Thursday, January 2, 2014, through the Severance Hall Ticket Office in person; by phone at 216-231-1111 or 800-686-1141; or online at clevelandorchestra.com. Due to the high demand for tickets to this concert, traditionally all tickets for this concert are distributed by 4 p.m. on the day they are made available to the public. There is a limit of 2 tickets per household.

This concert is sponsored by KeyBank, a *Cleveland Orchestra Partner in Excellence*. The musicians of The Cleveland Orchestra donate their services for this concert as a benefit to the The Cleveland Orchestra sustaining fund.

For more information about award nominations and the MLK Celebration Concert on January 19, 2014, please contact The Cleveland Orchestra's Department of Education and Community Programs at 216-231-7355.

Past Recipients of the MLK Community Service Award

Past Recipients of the MLK Community Service Award have included:

Year	Category	Names
2004	Individual	Charles R. See
2004	Organization	Broadway: Diversity in Progress
2005	Individual	Ted Ginn, Sr.
2005	Organization	Murtis H. Taylor Multi-Service Center
2006	Individual	Akil Marshall
2006	Organization	Case Western Reserve

2007	Individual	University
2007	Organization	Charles S. Modlin
2008	Individual	Consortium of African
2008	Organization	American Organizations
2008	Youth	Norma Harko
2009	Individual	The Cleveland Cavaliers
2009	Organization	Kevin Hatcher
2009	Youth	Danny R. Williams
2009	Special Award	Esperanza, Inc.
2010	Individual	Howard Johnson
2010	Organization	Robert P. Madison
2010	Youth	Theodore (Ted) Horvath
2011	Organization	The President's Council
		Ebony Summers
		Baldwin-Wallace
		College, Student Affairs
		Division
2011	Individual	Dr. Julian M. Earls
2011	Youth	Cedric Thorbes
2012	Organization	The Horvitz YouthAbility
		Program
2012	Individual	Donshon Wilson
2012	Youth	Dontea Gresham
2013	Individual	Betty K. Pinkney
2013	Organization	Care Alliance Health
		Center
2013	Youth	Justin Orr
2013	Special Award	Cory United Methodist
		Church