



CHICAGO START-UP MUSIC DEALERS MAKES INC. 5000 LIST OF THE FASTEST- GROWING PRIVATELY HELD U.S. COMPANIES

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[Music Dealers \(www.musicdealers.com\)](http://www.musicdealers.com),
the creative music agency and B2B

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music licensing company founded in Chicago, has been recognized today in the 2015 [Inc. 5000](#) list of the fastest-growing privately held companies in the United States.

Music Dealers CEO Clay Johnson and Founder Eric Sheinkop will receive the award together at the Inc. 5000 conference in Orlando in October.



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*Eric Sheinkop, Founder,
Music Dealers*

On the win, Johnson says, "We're incredibly honored to receive this award, which is testament that a great team, fantastic clients, and a passion for music pays off. Music Dealers started in 2008 to create new opportunities for independent and emerging artists around the world by connecting them to the biggest global brands, and we're excited to continue that mission."

Sheinkop adds, "This company started out in my living room 8 years ago with nothing but the meaningful mission of improving independent musicians' lives and bringing value to brands through music. It's humbling to be recognized on

Inc.'s top list, as it validates our team's ingenuity and hustle, and ability to deliver on our vision to create value for our artists and clients."

The 2015 Inc. 5000, unveiled online at Inc.com is the most competitive crop in the list's 34-year history. The average company on the list achieved a mind-boggling three-year growth of 490%. The Inc. 5000's aggregate revenue is \$205 billion, generating 647,000 jobs over the past three years.

"The story of this year's Inc. 5000 is the story of great leadership. In an incredibly competitive business landscape, it takes something extraordinary to take your company to the top," says Inc. President and Editor-In-Chief Eric Schurenberg. "You have to remember that the average company on the Inc. 5000 grew nearly six-fold since 2012. Business owners don't achieve that kind of success by accident."

Music Dealers, which ranked 22nd in the media category, is an award-winning, full-service music partner offering a range of creative and strategic music services to help clients realize the full value music brings to their business.

With one of the world's largest online catalogues of emerging, pre-cleared artists from around the globe, Music Dealers works with brands, agencies, TV/film networks, and gaming studios to elevate their music needs through licensing, custom music, creative services, label & publisher relations, strategy, and live events, while generating significant revenue streams for its independent artist community. For more information, visit www.musicdealers.com.

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