

Music Business Association Names 2023 Bizzy Award Winners

Winners in all nine categories were crowned during the Music Biz 2023 Awards Dinner on May 17

NASHVILLE, TN, UNITED STATES, May 18, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [Music Business Association](#) (Music Biz) announced the winners of this year's Bizzy Awards during this evening's second annual Bizzy Awards Dinner, hosted by Noelle Scaggs (Fitz and the Tantrums, Elektra solo recording artist, Diversify the Stage) and Nashville drag queen Tracey Ottomey at the JW Marriott Nashville during the Music Biz 2023 conference and sponsored by The LSS Group at RBC Wealth Management.

This year marks the second time that nominations for the Association's awards program were crowd-sourced, allowing the global music business at large to recognize their companies and peers who are making a difference in improving the global industry.

The festivities kicked off during this year's Music Biz Pre-Awards Cocktail Party sponsored by WMX and ADA, who highlighted social justice organizations creating meaningful change for historically underserved and marginalized communities in Tennessee and beyond. Music Biz President Portia Sabin opened the party by announcing the inaugural Music Business Educator of the Year Award winner, and honoring the



Gina Miller of MNRK Music Group accepts the Music Biz 2023 Presidential Award for Outstanding Executive Achievement

Music Biz Scholarship Foundation Class of 2023 and its generous donors.

The 2023 Bizzy Award winners are as follows:

□ **Leading Light Award:** Sarah Robertson, A to Z Media

For a company or executive that has supported their staff via internal initiatives aimed at improving mental health & well-being and work/life balance.

□ **Frontline Innovator Award:** D. Tobago Benito, DBS Sounds / F.A.M.S. Coalition

For a retail store who showed exceptional inventiveness and ingenuity in their practices during the past year in their interactions with consumers.

□ **Music Business Educator of the Year Award:** Serona Elton, Frost School of Music - Univ. of Miami

Celebrates a music business educator who inspires students to enter the music business.

□ [Presidential Award](#) for Outstanding Executive Achievement: Gina Miller, SVP and General Manager, Nashville, MNRK Music Group

□ **Marketing Superstar Award:** Encanto IRL Meta Reels Activation | Disney Music Group and Meta

For a marketing campaign that was innovative and thought provoking. Candidates can be from any sector of the industry, and campaigns can be physical or virtual.

□ **Master of Metadata Award:** Jaxsta

For a company or executive who has made a significant impact in the area of data processing, credit clarification, streamlining or otherwise promoting clean data and best practices.

□ [Impact Award](#) for Technological Excellence: SoundExchange

□ **#NEXTGEN_NOW One To Watch Award:** Emilio Morales, Rimas Publishing

For an executive under 40 whose work (professional and/or volunteer) has been exceptional, innovative, and stands out as a contribution to the industry.

□ **Agent of Change Award:** Recording Artists and Music Professionals with Disabilities (RAMPD)

For a company that exemplifies a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion in their hiring practices, executive development, and promotion structure.

About Music Biz 2023

After its highly successful return to an in-person format in 2022, Music Biz 2023 will take place May 15 – 18, 2023 at the JW Marriott Nashville. The organization's flagship event will once again deliver four days of industry-defining conversations and connections, plus important discussions on how our industry may evolve to better serve the needs of all music professionals. Visit

<http://musicbiz2023.com> for an up-to-date conference agenda, event registration & lodging information, and more.

About The Music Business Association

The Music Business Association (Music Biz) is a not-for-profit membership organization that advances, promotes and invests in the future of the music business by providing a trusted forum where ideas and cooperation flourish. Through events, education and engagement, the Association brings together the full breadth of the industry for unparalleled access to networking, resources and thought leadership.

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