

Education Through Music Honors Republic Records Chairman & CEO Jim Roppo at 'Making Minds Sing!' 2026 Gala

ETM "Making Minds Sing!" Gala honors Republic Records' Jim Roppo.

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES, April 1, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- [Education Through Music \(ETM\)](#) is proud to announce that Jim Roppo, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of [Republic Records](#), will be an honoree at its Gala, "Making Minds Sing!," held on Monday, May 18, 2026, at 583 Park Avenue.

A CHAMPION FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF ARTISTS

As a cornerstone of the music industry and the leader of Republic Records, home to some of the world's most influential global superstars, Jim Roppo has long recognized that the future of the industry begins in the classroom. His leadership as Chairman and CEO at Republic Records centers on fostering talent and driving innovation in a rapidly evolving landscape. By supporting ETM, Roppo is championing the belief that the next generation of great artists and industry leaders could be sitting in a New York City classroom right now.

MUSIC AS A TOOL FOR LIFE-LONG SUCCESS

"At Republic, we see firsthand how music has the power to change lives and shape culture," said Jim Roppo. "Education Through Music ensures that this power isn't a privilege for a few, but a right for every student. By integrating music into the core curriculum, we aren't just teaching kids how to play an instrument; we're teaching them discipline, creativity, and the resilience they need to succeed in any field they choose."



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THE ETM IMPACT: BEYOND THE PERFORMANCE

ETM's unique model goes beyond one-off workshops, instead partnering directly with school principals to make music a core subject of the school day for every student. This systemic approach has been proven to drive higher attendance, improve social-emotional health, and bolster academic performance across the board.

"We are thrilled to honor Jim Roppo, a leader whose career has been defined by a commitment to musical excellence and artist development," said Dr. Janice Weinman, CEO of Education Through Music. "Jim understands that providing a comprehensive music education to students in under-resourced schools is a vital investment in our collective future. When we provide music, we provide the tools for success."



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AN EVENING OF CELEBRATION AND PERFORMANCE

The 2026 Gala will be hosted by Xavier "X" Jernigan, the "Voice of Spotify," and will feature soul-stirring performances by ETM students alongside a paddle raise.

EVENT DETAILS:

What: Education Through Music 2026 Gala: Making Minds Sing!

When: Monday, May 18, 2026

Where: 583 Park Avenue, New York City

Support: To purchase tickets or become a sponsor, visit etmonline.org/gala.

ABOUT EDUCATION THROUGH MUSIC (ETM):

Founded in 1991, Education Through Music (ETM) is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to ensuring that every underserved student has access to a high-quality music education by

making it a core subject in under-resourced schools. ETM partners with school principals to provide comprehensive music programs, integrated into the school day and delivered by qualified music teachers, that foster academic achievement, emotional resilience, and personal growth. By providing music education to thousands of students across New York City who would otherwise go without, ETM is "Making Minds Sing!" and building the foundation for the next generation of leaders. For more information, visit www.ETMonline.org.

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