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## TMS Earns Third Consecutive *Cleveland Magazine*'Best Music Instruction' Award

**CLEVELAND – July 5, 2017-** The Music Settlement would be singing "three-peat" from the rafters today, if only Pat Riley hadn't trademarked it first.

Today TMS announced its third consecutive Best of the East award win from *Cleveland Magazine* for "Best Music Instruction."

"We are so excited that *Cleveland Magazine* readers have honored us with this award for the third consecutive year," said Geralyn "Geri" Presti, president and CEO of The Music Settlement. "It's a wonderful affirmation of the positive impact of our arts programs, especially as we plan to open a second campus in Ohio City in 2018."

Votes were gathered at the Best of the East 2017 event, which "had a record turnout," according to *Cleveland Magazine* Publisher Lute Harmon Jr.

TMS invites the community to celebrate its three-peat "Best Music Instruction" win at a free Community Open House on July 30, 2017 from 12:30-3:30pm at BOP STOP at The Music Settlement, 2920 Detroit Ave., Ohio City. This free, family friendly event will feature performances on two stages, activities, and snacks (while supplies last). Food will also be available for purchase at the event.

TMS is ready with more music-instruction opportunities than ever this school year, with new Introduction to Music Lessons classes for children and an increase in budget-friendly small-group instruction classes for children and adults who want to learn to sing better or play an instrument.

## **About The Music Settlement**

Founded in 1912 by Almeda Adams as The Cleveland Music School Settlement, The Music Settlement is one of the nation's oldest community schools of music. Providing early childhood education since 1955 and music therapy since 1966, The Music Settlement remains on the forefront of music-based initiatives that advance human potential. Its programs reach students from birth through retirement and beyond. The Music Settlement

is generously funded by Cuyahoga Arts and Culture and the Ohio Arts Council. In 2014, the Settlement opened the BOP STOP nightclub at 2920 Detroit Ave., after its donation to the organization in late 2013. In 2017, TMS won its third consecutive *Cleveland Magazine* "Best Music Instruction" award. The organization is currently building a new campus in Ohio City. Online properties

include <u>www.TheMusicSettlement.org</u>, <u>facebook.com/TheMusicSettlement</u>, <u>instagram.com/themusicsettlement</u>, and <u>twitter.com/musicsettlement</u>. Classes and programs can be sorted by age of participant at <u>www.TheMusicSettlement.org/all</u>.

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