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2008 GRAMMY HALL OF FAME[®] INDUCTEES ANNOUNCED

The Recording Academy[®] Honors Timeless Recordings, from ''It Don't Mean A Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing'') to ''Roxanne''

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Dec. 19, 2007) — The Recording Academy[®] announced the newest additions to its **GRAMMY Hall Of Fame**[®], adding 70 recordings to a timeless list that now includes 798 titles. The Hall Of Fame serves as a celebration and reminder of the triumphs and achievements of the recording arts. Selections are drawn from all categories of music, acknowledging the diversity of musical expression for which The Recording Academy has become renowned.

"The GRAMMY Hall of Fame is one of The Academy's most prized endeavors, spotlighting recorded musical masterpieces that have significantly impacted our musical history," said Neil Portnow, President/CEO of The Recording Academy. "This year's inductees span nine decades and represent a diverse array of genres from classical and show tunes to blues, jazz and rock and roll. They exemplify the best qualities that make the recording arts such a vital part of our culture — and each not only uniquely reflects the zeitgeist of its time, but also possesses the enduring power of transcending time."

The selections range from 1905's "Give My Regards To Broadway" by Billy Murray to Michael Jackson's 1982 album *Thriller*. Sixteen of the new entries came from the classical field including such recordings as Arturo Toscanini's 1953 Verdi: *Otello*, Otto Klemperer's 1963 Mahler: *Symphony No. 2*, Arthur Fiedler's 1935 Gade: "Jalousie," Vladimir Horowitz's 1932 Liszt: *Sonata In B Minor* and Arthur Nikisch's 1914 Beethoven: *Symphony No. 5*. Other recordings also chosen this year include the Mamas & The Papas' "Monday Monday," the Beatles' "Help!," Marian Anderson's "He's Got The Whole World In His Hands," *Cabaret — Original Motion Picture Soundtrack*, Dionne Warwick's "Alfie," Jackie DeShannon's "What The World Needs Now Is Love," Lynyrd Skynyrd's "Free Bird," and Louis Armstrong's "St. Louis Blues." Other artists with selections include Fred Astaire, Pink Floyd, Etta James, Billy Joel, the Police, Frank Sinatra, Sister Sledge, Barbra Streisand and Willie Nelson.

The GRAMMY Hall Of Fame was created in 1973 to honor recordings of lasting significance that were issued prior to the 1958 inception of the GRAMMY Awards. The Hall is now open to any recording that has been in release for at least 25 years. New submissions are chosen annually by a special member committee of experts and historians drawn from all branches of the recording arts. Their recommendations are approved by the Board of Trustees of The Recording Academy. The GRAMMY Hall Of Fame is unique in that it is open to all genres of music — popular as well as specialized forms.

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Established in 1957, The Recording Academy is an organization of musicians, producers, engineers and recording professionals that is dedicated to improving the cultural condition and quality of life for music and its makers. Internationally known for the GRAMMY Awards — the preeminent peer-recognized award for musical excellence and the most credible brand in music — The Recording Academy is responsible for groundbreaking professional development, cultural enrichment, advocacy, education and human services programs. In its 50th year, The Academy continues to focus on its mission of recognizing musical excellence, advocating for the well-being of music makers and ensuring music remains an indelible part of our culture. For more information about The Academy, please visit *www.grammy.com*.

For a complete list of GRAMMY Hall Of Fame inductees or 50th Annual GRAMMY Awards (broadcast live on Feb. 10, 2008 at 8 p.m. ET/PT on the CBS Television Network), please go to *http://www.grammy.com/Press/*

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"ALFIE" Dionne Warwick Scepter (1967) Pop (Single)

"ALWAYS ON MY MIND" Willie Nelson Columbia (1982) Country (Single)

"AT SEVENTEEN" Janis Ian Columbia (1975) Pop (Single)

BALLADS

John Coltrane Quartet Impulse/MCA (1962) Jazz (Album)

BEETHOVEN: THE FIVE PIANO CONCERTI (COMPLETE) George Szell cond. Cleveland Orchestra; Leon Fleisher, piano Columbia (1959–61) Classical (Album) BEETHOVEN: *SYMPHONY NO. 5* Arthur Nikisch cond. Berlin Philharmonic Grammophon/Polydor (1914) Classical (Album)

BELLINI: "CASTA DIVA (FROM NORMA)" Rosa Ponselle; Giulio Setti cond. the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra and Chorus Victor (1929) Classical (Single)

BIZET: CARMEN

Rise Stevens, Jan Peerce, Licia Albanese and Robert Merrill; Fritz Reiner, conductor; Robert Shaw, choral director; RCA Victor Orchestra; Robert Shaw Chorale RCA (1951) Classical (Album)

BREEZIN'

George Benson Warner Bros. (1976) Pop (Album) CABARET Original Motion Picture Soundtrack ABC (1972) Film & TV Soundtracks (Album)

"CHOO CHOO CH'BOOGIE" Louis Jordan And His Tympany Five Decca (1946) R&B (Single)

COMPANY Original Broadway Cast Columbia (1970) Musical Show (Album)

"CRYING IN THE CHAPEL" The Orioles Jubilee (1953) R&B (Single)

"DEAD MAN'S CURVE" Jan & Dean Liberty (1964) Rock (Single)

DON'T GO TO STRANGERS Etta Jones Prestige (1960) Jazz (Album)

FOREVER CHANGES Love Elektra (1967)

Rock (Album)

"FREE BIRD"

Lynyrd Skynyrd MCA (1973) Rock (Single)

GADE: "JALOUSIE" Arthur Fiedler cond. Boston Pops Orchestra RCA Victor (1935) Classical (Single)

"GENTLE ON MY MIND" Glen Campbell Capitol (1967) Country (Single)

"GIVE MY REGARDS TO BROADWAY" Billy Murray Columbia (1905) Traditional Pop (Single) "GOLDFINGER" Shirley Bassey United Artists (1964) Pop (Single)

THE HARDER THEY COME

Jimmy Cliff with Toots & The Maytals, Desmond Dekker, The Melodians, Scotty, and The Slickers Island (1973) Film & TV Soundtracks (Album)

"HELP!" The Beatles Capitol (1965) Rock (Single)

"HE'S GOT THE WHOLE WORLD IN HIS HANDS" Marian Anderson RCA Victor (1936) Gospel (Single)

HOODOO MAN BLUES Junior Wells Delmark (1966) Blues (Album)

HOTEL CALIFORNIA Eagles Asylum (1976) Rock (Album)

"I'M A KING BEE" Slim Harpo Excello (1957) Blues (Single)

"INDIAN LOVE CALL" Jeanette MacDonald & Nelson Eddy Victor (Red Seal) (1936) Traditional Pop (Single)

"IT DON'T MEAN A THING (IF IT AIN'T GOT THAT SWING)" Duke Ellington & His Famous Orchestra Brunswick (1932) Jazz (Single)

"IT'S NOT FOR ME TO SAY" Johnny Mathis Columbia (1957) Traditional Pop (Single) IVES: SYMPHONY NO. 2

Leonard Bernstein cond. New York Philharmonic Columbia (1958) Classical (Album) "THE JAMES BOND THEME" The John Barry Seven And Orchestra United Artists (1962) Pop (Single)

"JUKE" Little Walter Checker (1952) Blues (Single)

"KING PORTER (STOMP)" Benny Goodman And His Orchestra Victor (1935) Jazz (Single)

KORNGOLD: VIOLIN CONCERTO Jascha Heifetz with Alfred Wallenstein cond. Los Angeles Philharmonic RCA Victor (1949) Classical (Album)

LISZT: SONATA IN B MINOR Vladimir Horowitz RCA Victor (1932) Classical (Album)

"THE LOOK OF LOVE" Dusty Springfield RCA (1967) Pop (Single)

MAHLER: *SYMPHONY NO. 2* Otto Klemperer cond. Philharmonia Orchestra EMI-Angel (1963) Classical (Album)

"MONDAY, MONDAY" The Mamas & The Papas Dunhill (1966) Pop (Single)

1999 Prince Warner Bros. (1982) Pop (Album)

OFF THE WALL Michael Jackson Epic (1979) Pop (Album) OLIVER!

Original Broadway Cast Columbia (1962) Musical Show (Album) "OVER THERE" Nora Bayes Victor (1917) Traditional Pop (Single)

PROKOFIEV: PETER AND THE WOLF

(OPUS 67) Serge Koussevitzky cond. Boston Symphony Orchestra; Richard Hale, narrator Victor (Red Seal) (1939) Classical (Album)

RAVEL: DAPHNIS ET CHLOE (COMPLETE BALLET) Charles Munch cond. Boston Symphony Orchestra RCA Victor (1955) Classical (Album)

"ROXANNE" The Police A&M (1978) Rock (Single)

"SEVEN COME ELEVEN" Benny Goodman Sextet Columbia (1940) Jazz (Single)

"SH-BOOM" The Chords Cat (1954) R&B (Single)

"SHINING STAR" Earth, Wind & Fire Columbia (1975) R&B (Single)

SHOSTAKOVICH: CELLO CONCERTO NO. 1 IN E FLAT, OP. 107 Eugene Ormandy cond. Philadelphia Orchestra; Mstislav Rostropovich, cellist Columbia (1960) Classical (Album)

"SITTIN' ON TOP OF THE WORLD" The Mississippi Sheiks Okeh (1930) Blues (Single) "SOMEONE TO WATCH OVER ME" Gertrude Lawrence Victor (1927) Traditional Pop (Single)

"ST. LOUIS BLUES" Louis Armstrong Okeh (1929) Jazz (Single)

THE STRANGER Billy Joel Columbia (1977) Pop (Album)

"STRANGERS IN THE NIGHT" Frank Sinatra Reprise (1966) Traditional Pop (Single)

STRAUSS: ALSO SPRACH ZARATHUSTRA, OP. 30 Serge Koussevitzky cond. Boston Symphony Orchestra RCA Victor (1935) Classical (Album)

STRAUSS: *DER ROSENKAVALIER, OP.* 59 (ABRIDGED) Robert Heger cond. the Vienna State Opera Chorus & Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra; Lotte Lehmann, Elisabeth Schumann and Richard Mayr RCA Victor (1933) Classical (Album)

STRAUSS: *DER ROSENKAVALIER* Herbert von Karajan cond. Philharmonia Orchestra; Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, Christa Ludwig and Teresa Stich-Randall Angel (1957) Classical (Album)

"A TASTE OF HONEY" Herb Alpert & The Tijuana Brass A&M (1965) Pop (Single)

THRILLER Michael Jackson Epic (1982) Pop (Album) "TOP HAT, WHITE TIE AND TAILS" Fred Astaire Brunswick (1935) Traditional Pop (Single)

THE VELVET UNDERGROUND & NICO The Velvet Underground & Nico Verve (1967) Rock (Album)

VERDI: OTELLO Arturo Toscanini cond. NBC Symphony; Herva Nelli, Ramon Vinay and Giuseppe Valdengo RCA Victor (1953) Classical (Album)

THE WALL Pink Floyd Capitol (1979) Rock (Album)

"THE WALLFLOWER"(aka "ROLL WITH ME HENRY") Etta James Modern Records (1955) R&B (Single)

"THE WAY WE WERE" Barbra Streisand Columbia (1974) Pop (Single)

"WE ARE FAMILY" Sister Sledge Cotillion/Atlantic (1979) R&B (Single)

"WEATHER BIRD" Louis Armstrong & Earl Hines Okeh (1928) Jazz (Single)

"WHAT THE WORLD NEEDS NOW IS LOVE" Jackie DeShannon Imperial (1965) Pop (Single)

"YOU'RE THE TOP" Ethel Merman Brunswick (1934) Traditional Pop (Single)