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### MTA Announces Winners of Music Under New York Auditions

#### *19 Musicians and Musical Groups Accepted Into Program*

MTA Arts for Transit today announced that 19 individuals and groups had been accepted into the Music Under New York (MUNY) program after performing at the program's 24th annual auditions held on May 17 in Grand Central Terminal.

During the auditions, 68 acts performed live for a panel of judges of musicians, music and performing arts professionals, transit representatives and other to become part of the MUNY program. The acts were judged on the criteria of quality, variety, and appropriateness for the mass transit environment. Bob Holman, poet and proprietor of the Bowery Poetry Club, served as emcee for the event.

As a result of the judges' scores, these 19 acts will become part of the MUNY program:

- Marcella Louise Adame, Opera singer
- Harold Allen, country singer
- Brazilian Quarter, Brazilian & New Orleans music
- Lindsay Dragan, singer songwriter & guitarist
- Meta Joy Epstein, Baroque harpist
- Erik Hegar, contemporary & classical harpist
- Keizo Ishibashi, Italian mandolin player
- Tom Larsen, guitarist & singer songwriter
- Lost Wandering Blues & Jazz Band, Swing band
- Mike Lunapiena, cellist improvisation
- Metro Brass Quintet, classical, pop, jazz
- MetropoliTones, female a capella
- Eric Reimers, classical & Argentinean guitarist
- Ron Service, saxophonist
- The Body Electric, Afro-beat jazz ensemble
- The Connections, Motown, R&B duo
- Threeds, Oboe trio
- Matt Vorzimer:eCussionist, electro improvisation
- Christopher Worth, contemporary & traditional singer

Tom Larsen, Metro Brass Quintet, the Body Electric, and many other auditioning musicians can be seen at our video of the auditions, available on YouTube at this link: <http://youtu.be/zHbAGwoUlv0>

Currently, MUNY has over 350 individuals and groups on their roster, performing approximately 7,500 annual performances in about 25 transit locations around the City. Music Under New York is one of many visual and performing arts programs administered by MTA Arts for Transit to enhance the station environment for the customer.