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Keegan Lammers Named "Outstanding Future Music Educator" by IMEA



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The Indiana Music Education Association (IMEA) recognized junior Keegan Lammers, an instrumental music education major, as "Outstanding Future Music Educator" at the virtual annual Professional Development Conference, January 14-16, 2021.

The Indiana Music Education Association (IMEA) recognized junior **Keegan Lammers** and senior **Jonathon Tebbe**, both instrumental music education majors at DePauw University School of Music, as "Outstanding Future Music Educators." The prestigious award, honoring the very best in collegiate music teacher education, was presented at the virtual annual IMEA Professional Development Conference, January 14-16, 2021. Individual awards, chosen in a blind selection process, honor music education students who demonstrate not only a strong grade point average, but also involvement in a diverse array of music education activities.

Upon learning she would be receiving this award, Keegan expressed gratitude toward many of her former teachers, saying, "I owe so much to these individuals. I've been able to emulate 'outstanding' teaching because my entire life was shaped by outstanding educators. These educators nurtured my passion for music, leadership, and service through their guidance and support. I carry tools from every educator I've had the privilege of learning from, and I hope to use those tools to nurture and inspire my future students, just as my teachers and professors have inspired me!"

One of these teachers, Ms. Stacy Lemke, worked with Keegan in her Ohio high school orchestra classroom. She had high praise for Keegan upon hearing about the award: "Keegan is such a positive person, eager to learn new things, and not afraid to put herself out there. She is a natural born teacher, her musicianship is amazing, and I know she will be a fantastic orchestra director with students who adore her someday!"

The award was first presented to a DePauw student in 1998. Keegan and Jon are the 17th and 18th DePauw recipients of this award. They join the ranks of others from the School of Music and DePauw's Music Teacher Education Program who have received this award. Previous awardees include:

Jesse Fromme (2020)

Jamie Edwards (2019)

Allan Whitehead (2018)

Sara Des Biens (2017)

Megan Kessler and Allison Sherrick (2015)

Heidi Meuth (2014)

Nicole Starke (2010)

Lindsay Yntema (2009)

Sonja Emberg (2006)

Amanda Grahn (2003)

David Barbick (2002)

Tiffany Ingles (2001)

Matt Clifford (2000)

Nick Parcell (1999)

Danh Pham (1998)

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