

100 New Instruments in the Hands of Hamilton Youth

Watch the video below to see Arkells' members surprise a young audience as the 2014 MusiCounts TD Community Music Program recipients are revealed. Applications for the 2015 MusiCounts TD Community Music Program are now open!



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Talk about a good surprise! Late last year, Max Kerman and Mike DeAngelis, members of JUNO Award-winning rock group <u>Arkells</u>, were in their hometown of Hamilton to help announce beneficiaries of the second annual <u>MusiCounts TD Community Music Program</u>.

Established in 2013, these grants award musical equipment to non-profit organizations providing programs to youth in underserved Canadian communities. In 2014, the program received over 100 applications; 16 organizations were awarded a total of \$220,000 (see the list below).

One beneficiary was Hamilton Music Collective's <u>An Instrument for Every Child</u> program. Young participants learned the happy news following a surprise performance by Kerman and DeAngelis, as more than 100 shiny new instruments were unveiled.

Check the video to see their response. Visit here to learn more about the 2015 applications.

## **2014 MusiCounts TD Community Music Program Beneficiaries:**

All Nations Healin' Thru Artz – Regina, SK

Culture for Kids in the Arts - Hamilton, ON

Hamilton Music Collective - Hamilton, ON

Heart of the City Piano Program (Vancouver Chapter) – Vancouver, BC

John Howard Society of Sudbury - Sudbury, ON

Le Conseil des arts de Chéticamp – Chéticamp, NS

Lyrical Lines Education Network Inc. - Kitchener, ON

New Ross Family Resource Centre - New Ross, NS

North York Community House - Toronto, ON

Overture with the Arts - Dorval, QC

Partageons l'espoir/ Share the Warmth - Montréal, QC

Project Grace – St. John's, NL

<u>Success Power Opportunity Teamwork</u> (The S.P.O.T) – Scarborough, ON

<u>Tall Tree Festival Society</u> – Port Renfrew, BC

The West End Culture Centre – Winnipeg, MB

YMCA of Greater Vancouver – Surrey, BC