

At their annual meeting on December 4, 2007 the Board of Trustees of the American Classical Music Hall of Fame approved the induction of four new honorees who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame. They are:

Yo-Yo Ma, (b.1955), an international acclaimed cellist who concertizes world wide as a soloist and as a member/leader of chamber groups and orchestras through his Silk Road Project. Mr. Ma was born in Paris and lives in Massachusetts. Mr. Ma will receive his Hall of Fame medallion at a ceremony planned for May in Rochester, New York.



Donald Martino (1931-2005). Prominent as a composer and a faculty member at Princeton, Yale, Brandeis and the New England Conservatory of Music, Mr. Martino is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Letters and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He has received numerous grants and awards including a Pulitzer Prize (1974) and the Boston Symphony's Mark M. Horblit Award.

Harvey Phillips, (b. 1929) Emeritus Professor at Indiana University in Bloomington, IN. Phillips has been repeatedly honored as the greatest living player of the tuba. He is well known also for his advocacy on the part of his chosen instrument and conducts massed performances throughout the US and abroad.

The Cleveland Orchestra, consistently recognized among the top five orchestras in the United States, joins the roster of symphonic organizations such as the New York Philharmonic, the Boston Symphony Orchestra and the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra that have been recognized for their excellence and the contributions they make to classical music in America.

Mrs. Donald Martino, Harvey Phillips and The Cleveland Orchestra will receive their awards at ceremonies being organized for 2008.

These individuals and The Cleveland Orchestra were selected by a national balloting process conducted during the month of June, 2007 that was supervised by the National Artistic Directorate of the American Classical Music Hall of Fame.

The National Artistic Directorate is chaired by composer Samuel Adler and Douglas Lowry, formerly Dean of the College Conservatory of Music at the University of Cincinnati and now Dean of the Eastman School of Music. Those who voted include members of the NAD, and the Professional Organizations Council of the American Classical Music Hall of Fame.

Also voting are the living inductees to the Hall of Fame as well as members of the Board of Trustees. The American Classical Music Hall of Fame, a national institution, is dedicated to honoring and celebrating the many facets of American classical music. The Hall of Fame seeks to recognize those who have made significant contributions to American classical music and by doing so aspires to sustain and build interest in American classical music.

