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ANNOUNCING 2019 ARTIST APPRECIATION AWARD
TO BE PRESENTED AT FAMILY CONCERT JUNE 12

HUDSON, MA – The River's Edge Arts Alliance is pleased to announce that the 2019 Artist Appreciation Award will be presented to Jeannette McLellan.

Ms. McLellan teaches keyboard, guitar, and music technology at Hudson High School, where she is also the founding director of the award-winning Camerata and Hudson High Notes choirs. She established a Gospel Choir youth choir at Memorial Congregational Church in Sudbury, where she performs chamber music, plays harpsichord for the annual Messiah Sing, guides the music committee, and plays organ as a substitute. She earned her BA in music (organ performance) at Oberlin College and Master of Music (piano performance) at Boston University.

The Artist Appreciation Award is given each year to an individual or organization who has made a significant impact on the arts in the greater Hudson area. Nominations are requested by a community survey and voted on by the arts alliance Board of Directors. Ms. McLellan was chosen after an outpouring of support for her nomination, with recommendations coming from students, parents, and community members alike.

"This award celebrates those who go above and beyond to elevate the arts in our area," says Anna Klashka, president of the arts alliance. "We're happy to be using it to honor someone so dedicated to developing a love of music in our schools and in the local community."

The Artist Appreciation Award will be presented at the annual Artist Appreciation Concert in Hudson's Wood Park on June 12, 2019 at 6:30pm. This concert, produced by the River's Edge Arts Alliance in collaboration with the Hudson Recreation Department's summer concert series and sponsored in part by St. Mary's Credit Union as well as grants from the Massachusetts Cultural Council, will feature performances by renowned African music group Crocodile River Music, the River's Edge Chorale, REHarmonix a cappella, and students from the River's Edge School of Music, alongside arts and crafts activities for all ages. In case of rain the event will be moved to Hudson's Town Hall. For more information, please visit www.upwitharts.org or contact info@upwitharts.org.