

Request for “words of welcome” in person or in writing at Historic Event in Nepal.

*“It is my pleasure to welcome everyone to the 5th Anniversary of Jazz for Peace’s Landmark Concert at the United Nations.....I want to congratulate Rick and Jazz for Peace on everything they have accomplished” ~ [United States President & Nobel Peace Prize Winner Barack Obama - Click HERE to see Actual Letter](#)*



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From: Rick DellaRatta/Jazz for Peace  
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**To: Prestigious Supporter Award Winner of Jazz for Peace™ and EduVision**

**Request for Words of Welcome in person or in writing to our Kathmandu audience at our landmark Jazz for Peace Benefit Concert in support of EduVision and to honor our heroes!**

Dear Prestigious Supporter Award Winner for this Landmark Event,

On Friday, September 25, 2015 Rick DellaRatta and Jazz for Peace will perform the 13th Anniversary Celebration of their [Historic United Nations Concert](#) now considered by many to be “One of the most significant cultural events of our time!” as detailed in this Jazz for Peace Empowerment Grant Video Presentation:

**Please watch this informative video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hV8tM36x4AY>**

The event will take place from 4-8pm at the Hyatt Regency in Kathmandu to raise funds, publicity and awareness for EduVision, an outstanding local nonprofit organization committed to educating underprivileged kids by incorporating technological innovation, and to honor those heroes who inspired us by their service to Nepal during the rescue and relief operations including the Army and Police, Rotary Club, SEBS and Bibeksheel Nepali.

**Knowing your lifelong dedication to human rights, dignity and justice; your appreciation of personal achievement in the arts, culture and philanthropy; and your warm spirit of humanity for your fellow countrymen and the very special nature of this Empowerment Grant Award for the betterment of Nepal; we would be honored if you would say a few words in person or send your greetings in writing for us to read to the audience at the beginning of our festivities.**

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Thanks so much for all the good work you do and we hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Suren Shakya, Director - Eduvision along with the Jazz for Peace™ Foundation Staff including John De Angelis - Grant Administrator / Debra Cerritelli - Senior Event Coordinator / Mark Carahan - Jazz for Peace Grant Selection Assistant / Rick DellaRatta - Founder - Jazz for Peace™  
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"steadfast and creative...Jazz For Peace unites the world of the arts with the arenas for justice." ~  
Ralph Nader

### **BELOW IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

**Many Cities, States, and Countries around the world have come out in strong support of the Jazz for Peace program and our wonderful Grant Recipients.**

Here are just a few examples:

1. Award Ceremony Video - Tamil Nadu, India: <https://vimeo.com/96387432>
2. New York City: <http://www.jazzforpeace.org/nycmayor.html>
3. Salt Lake City, Utah: <http://www.jazzforpeace.org/mayorbecker.pdf>
4. Huntsville and Birmingham, Alabama - [http://news.allaboutjazz.com/news.php?id=18053#\\_UieGdhYpBFI](http://news.allaboutjazz.com/news.php?id=18053#_UieGdhYpBFI), <http://jazzforpeace.files.wordpress.com/2013/03/birminghammayor1.pdf>
5. Oakland, CA: (See Photo and Caption Below)

**In addition to the examples above, here are more recent "Words of Welcome" letters presented at our events by leaders from around the world which include Hillary Clinton, Raila P. Odinga (Africa), US Senator John McCain, US Congressman Alcee Hastings, Brazil Labor Secretary Marcos Cintra, Vermont Governor Peter Shumlin and many, many others.**

**"It is my pleasure to send greetings to each of you attending the Jazz for Peace benefit concert" ~ 2016 Presidential Candidate Hillary Clinton - Click HERE to see Actual Letter**

**"Your message of peace and unity serves as a welcome and timely reminder to the world that ultimately we are brothers and sisters and we all share a common destiny." ~ Hon. Raila P. Odinga - Prime Minister - Republic of Kenya, Africa - Click HERE to see Actual Letter**

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<http://www.jazzforpeace.org/govshulet.pdf>

<http://www.jazzforpeace.org/primemo.pdf>

<http://www.jazzforpeace.org/hastings.pdf>

<http://www.jazzforpeace.org/da.html>

<http://www.jazzforpeace.org/brazil09.htm>

Also included is our Jazz for Peace "Fast Facts" link - <http://www.jazzforpeace.org/fastfacts.html>, Empowerment Grant Details Link, <http://jazzforpeace.wordpress.com> as well as our web-site (see below) so that you can find additional information about our Benefit Concert Series as well as our Educational Programs and Instrument Donation Programs for underprivileged children.



Pictured L-R : United States Congressman Dennis Kucinich and First Chinese US Mayor Jean Quan present awards to Jazz for Peace Founder Rick DellaRatta at Jazz for Peace™ events at “Jazz on the Park” in New York City, NY and “Plymouth Church for Jazz and Justice” in Oakland, California.

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