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***Music Makes Me Happy Philly Networking Experience Unites Dedicated  
Philadelphians to Arts & Civic Engagement***

**[Philadelphia, PA - February 3, 2016]** Music Makes Me Happy will host a networking experience that brings together artists and arts based organizations who inspire social change and civic engagement through music. This experience will take place on **Thursday February 18, 2016, 7pm to 10pm at Indigo Bleu Design & Culture Center 3870 Lancaster Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19104.**

The Music Makes Me Happy Networking Experience brings together passionate artists, activists, and educators of Philadelphia to continue to support social change and civic engagement through positive music. Over 200 guests are expected to attend from all over the Philadelphia region. Guests will enjoy refreshments sponsored by the 48th Street Grille, an open bar sponsored Jack Daniels, live music, networking, live art and an interactive panel discussion. Additional event sponsors include AOI Events & PR and Indigo Bleu Design & Culture Center.

Joshua Dingle is the founder of Music Makes Me Happy, a network of music lovers who believe in music's ability to inspire change. Dingle could not speak between the ages of 3 and 12 when a severe stuttering disorder left him unable to communicate with anyone. That all changed at the

age of 12 when Dingle was introduced to theatre arts and music. Within one year of studying acting and music, Joshua's speech was near perfect. The MMMH Philly Networking Experience is built to inspire social change and to continue to inspire future music & art lovers. *"The panel discussion raises awareness regarding the importance of using music to inspire social change. There are not to many events that highlight artists who display their commitment to positively impacting the community"* said Dingle.

Confirmed panelists include: Carvin Haggins, Grammy Award Winning and Multi-Platinum Selling Songwriter & Producer, Gregory "Just Greg" Corbin, Founder and Executive Director of Philly Youth Poetry Movement, Hip-Hop and Radio Pioneer Lady B of Old School 1003. FM, Hip Hop Artist Chill Moody, and Aisha Winfield the CEO of Jr. Music Executives. Special guest moderator of the night will be Joshua Nelson, Performing Artist, Educator, and Activist from Philadelphia.

Several great arts based organizations will exhibit their work: The Future Project, Portside Arts Center, Art Reach, Eleone Dance Theater, Art Sphere, Unity in the Community, and more. Nile Livingston, professional painter & artist from West Philadelphia will serenade the room with a live art performance. Livingston's mission is to promote self-expression and fulfillment. Live music will be handled by DJ Soul, a NYC mixologist.

Donations will benefit Music Makes Me Happy School Outreach programs in Philadelphia, Atlanta, and Los Angeles, where the organization entertains and educates youth about the power of music.

For media inquiries and requests please contact Danielle P. Jeter via email [dpjeter@gmail.com](mailto:dpjeter@gmail.com) or call [\(267\)-562-2179](tel:267-562-2179). Members of the press are invited to attend the event. Interested persons should request a media pass in advance.

#### [About Music Makes Me Happy:](#)

We are a thriving network of music lovers who believe in music's ability to inspire change. We have three goals. We create apparel that unifies and inspires the music lover community. In addition, we create live concerts featuring talented and community minded artists. We connect music lovers and professionals through our free Networking Happy Hour Events. Guests have the opportunity to enjoy lively music, food & drink, a live panel discussion and take part in raffle giveaways. We care about our youth. We engage students at public and charter schools in interactive music making workshops. Children are entertained, educated and equipped by our team with knowledge and materials that help continue the experience at home and with friends.

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