

# Manual High School Alumni Student Recognition Association

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**Mission:** The MHSASRA. strives to improve school climate and civic participation by expanding student access to diverse experiences in the arts and promoting its benefit to their socio-emotional and intellectual development.

**Vision:** The MHSASRA believes that all students should have opportunities to hear, see, and create art throughout the various levels of their education

## **Objectives:**

- To increase student participation in the arts within Manual's feeder schools
- To increase student participation in Manual High School's music program (orchestra, band, and choir)
- To promote student appreciation of the performing arts
- To teach the historical and cultural importance of music
- To promote student appreciation of the visual arts
- To promote the socio-emotional benefits of reading, writing and performing music
- To increase community engagement in the arts
- To increase community appreciation of the arts
- To improve student attendance rates
- To improve graduation rates
- To promote the positive impact that exposure to the arts has on brain development
- To promote the positive impact that exposure to the arts has on the school climate
- To promote a legacy of artistic excellence
- To encourage student engagement in civic programs within their schools and community
- To honor Mr. George Graves, Jr. and celebrate his legacy of music education excellence