

Musician of the Year to be Honored at MSO Concert

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The winner of the Kendall-Pelton Musician of the Year award will be awarded Saturday at the Midland Symphony Orchestra concert at Midland Center for the Arts. Jim Fulkerson of Midland will be presented with the award, which was established in memory of Harold S. Kendall and Grace and Earl Pelton, musicians who were instrumental in organizing musical activities in the Midland community that still flourish today. Midland Symphony Orchestra has been presenting this award since 1959. Candidates were nominated by letters of recommendation from area residents.

Fulkerson played drums in the band school program from grade 5 to 12 and attended the Interlochen Arts Academy. He played professionally for 12 years and began teaching at his music studio, which just celebrated its 30th anniversary and has six teachers teaching more than 175 students, primarily in drum set and mallet keyboards. In 2003, he started the Resonators Percussion Ensemble, which has grown to 70 members ranging in age from 8 to 56 and performs all over the state.

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