



AIMP New York to Honor MOME Commissioner Julie Menin with 2018 New York Chapter Indie Award at December 5 Holiday Party

New York, NY November 28, 2018 – The New York Chapter of the Association of Independent Music Publishers (AIMP) will present a prestigious 2018 New York Chapter Indie Award to **Julie Menin**, Commissioner of the Mayor’s Office of Media and Entertainment (MOME), at the Chapter’s annual [Holiday Party](#) on Wednesday, December 5, at 5:30 p.m. at The Princeton Club of NY.



Commissioner Menin was chosen to receive the award in recognition of her contributions to the independent music publishing community in New York, particularly the advent of New York Music Month in June. She will be joined by independent music publisher **Reservoir**, which will also be honored with a 2018 New York Chapter Indie Award at the event.

“Commissioner Menin has been an instrumental supporter of the music community in New York City. We are thankful to have somebody who is consistently advocating for those that call music life, many of whom are members of the AIMP,” said Alisa Coleman, President of the New York Chapter of the AIMP and COO of ABKCO Music & Records, Inc. “We would like to thank Commissioner Menin once again for the developments she has encouraged through her work with New York Music Month, and look forward to her continuous support of NYC’s thriving music community.”

“New York City is the music capital of the world with a plethora of record companies, digital startups, live music fans, studios, and musical genres all making their home here,” said Commissioner Menin. “I am honored to be recognized by the AIMP, as our office is deeply committed to ensuring that New Yorkers can continue to pursue their musical passions and thrive in the music industry.”

Commissioner Menin is an attorney and civic leader who has over two decades of experience in the legal and public sectors. She currently serves as Commissioner of the MOME, an agency encompassing film, TV, theater, music, advertising, publishing, nightlife, and digital content in New York City. These industries account for over 305,000 jobs and \$104 billion in economic output. Commissioner Menin also oversees NYC Media, the largest municipal broadcasting entity in the country, including five TV channels and a radio station with a reach of 18 million viewers. In addition, she is an Adjunct Professor of law and public policy at Columbia University.

Under Commissioner Menin's leadership, MOME has launched several groundbreaking initiatives. A five-part women's initiative, including a \$5 million fund for women filmmakers and playwrights, is the first municipal program in the country designed to promote equality in film, TV, and theater. One Book, One New York is the largest community read in the country. NYC Film Green is the first sustainable production designation program in the U.S. administered by a governmental entity. Commissioner Menin also spearheaded the negotiations to bring the GRAMMY Awards back to New York City after a 15-year hiatus in 2018. Previously, she served as Commissioner of the NYC Department of Consumer Affairs, the nation's largest municipal consumer affairs agency.

Past winners of the AIMP New York Chapter Indie Award include U.S. Congressman Jerrold Nadler, Justin Kalifowitz of Downtown Music Publishing, Martin Mills and Andy Heath of Beggars Group, Paul Williams of ASCAP, John LoFrumento of ASCAP, Michael Brettler of Shapiro Bernstein & Co., Valerie Simpson, Phil Ramone of Master Music Maker, and David Israelite of the NMPA.

For more information on the AIMP New York Holiday Party or to register for the event, visit [this page](#).

About AIMP

The Association of Independent Music Publishers (AIMP) was formed in 1977 and has local chapters in Los Angeles, New York, and Nashville. The organization's primary focus is to educate and inform music publishers about the most current industry trends and practices by providing a forum for the discussion of the issues and problems confronting the music publishing industry. The opportunity to exchange ideas and opinions with others on issues of mutual concern is fostered by the atmosphere at the AIMP's monthly meetings, forums, and workshops. For more information, visit www.aimp.org.

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