Missouri Musical Artist Research Worksheet

My Name Is: __________________________________________

Our Team is researching:

________________________________________ (_________ - _____________)

(Name of Our Musical Artist) (Year of Birth – Year of Death)

1. Birth and childhood
   a. Where was this Artist born? (town, state) Did this Artist grow up in a city, small town, rural community?

   b. What connection does this Artist have with Missouri?

   c. Where did he or she go to school? For how many years?

   d. What else is known about his or her family? (Who were his or her parents, what kind of work did they do, any brothers and sisters?)

2. Becoming a Musician
   a. How old was this artist when he or she started to perform music?

   b. How did he or she learn to play or sing? Did he or she get formal music lessons?

   c. What instrument(s) does he or she play? (If a singer, list “voice”)


3. Musical Career
   a. What style(s) does this artist perform in? (jazz, blues, classical, etc.)

   b. What are one or two of this Artist’s most famous songs? Find a sample of this Artist’s musical performance to play for the class.

   c. What is this artist’s birth name? Does this artist have a stage name?

   d. Did this Artist receive any awards? If so, what were some of them?

4. Did you learn an interesting story or “fun fact” about this Artist? (This could make a great, attention-getting opening for your report.)