

Bill Elliott Nominated for NSMW Award

By Maurice Rees

Local favourite, Bill Elliott, CCGP, Economy has been nominated for the 2019 release of a new album in the Jazz Recording of the year. This is the third consecutive year the awards have been held in Truro. The event has grown in popularity each year and is a major contributor to the local economy.

Several local firms work with the organizing committee and have become presenting sponsors. A partial list includes: Truro Diversity Advisory Committee, HubCraft Timber Mart, Belly Up Bar & Grill, Above & Beyond Home Décor, Hampton Inn & Suites By Hilton Truro, Cobequid Dance Academy Inc., Leisure Days RV Truro, KFC/Tacobell Truro and Stewiacke, Vintage Mouldings, Kohltech, Great British Grub Café and Aggregate Equipment. The Music Nova Scotia Award which will be held November 7-10 in Truro announced the slate of nominations on Thursday, September 12.

Among the list of nominees, AQUASOCKS and Don Brownrigg led the way with six Music Nova Scotia award nominations each. Both received nominations in major categories such as Recording of the Year, while Jenn Grant is close behind them with 5 nominations.

The Music Nova Scotia awards, along with the industry awards, will be presented on Sunday, November 10 at Nova Scotia Music Week (NSMW) in Truro, Nova Scotia. The Music Nova Scotia Awards Celebration and Closing Party will take place on Sunday, November 10th at the Holiday Inn Truro.

All awards will be presented at the celebration which will begin at 7:00PM. To attend the Awards Celebration and Closing Party, you must have a delegate pass or purchase a ticket for \$15 at the door (subject to capacity).

The following is list of 2019 Music Nova Scotia Music Award Nominees:

Acadian/Francophone Artist of the Year: Jacques Surette, Maxim Cormier and Selby Evans.

African Nova Scotian Artist of the Year: Presented by: Truro Diversity Advisory Committee, Jon Samuel, Keonté Beals, Shay Pitts, Shevy Price, YOHVN BLVCK and Zamani.

Alternative Recording of the Year: Presented by: Skin Decision. Blue Lobelia - Beneath all Bloom; Jon Samuel - Dead Melodies; Teleri - Ossë; The State of Alaska - Summer EP; Tosan Arenyeka - Itan and Wintersleep - In The Land Of.

American/Bluegrass Recording of the Year: Presented by: HubCraft Timber Mart: Erin Costello - Sweet Marie; Laura Merrimen - This Time & From Now On; Pretty Archie - Hanging On and Terra Spencer - Other People's Lives.

Blues Recording of the Year: Presented by: Belly Up Bar & Grill: Manitoba Hal - Blues Is In The Water; Mojo Martin - Livin' the Daydream and The Tucker Blues Group - A Few Tunes... featuring Ben Tucker.

Children's Artist of the Year: Presented by: McDonald's: Bingly and The Rogues; Dr G & Astronomical Unit and Matt the Music Man.

Classical Recording of the Year: Charke Cormier Duo - Ex Tempore; Jennifer King - O Mistress Moon and New Hermitage + Jeff Reilly - New Hermitage + Jeff Reilly.

Country Recording of the Year: Presented by: Above & Beyond Home Décor: 2nd Generation - No More Waiting; Andrew Fre-



lick - Lost In The Right Direction; Cassie Josephine & The Cry If I Want To's - Only Half Blue; LACEWOOD - Beautiful Life and Thomas Stajcer - Will I Learn To Love Again?.

Digital Artist of the Year: Jenn Grant; Kids Losing Sleep; Port Cities; Rich Aucoin; T. Thomason and The Town Heroes.

DJ of the Year: Century Samuel; DJ Douvet; DJ Fadzwa; DJ T'Woo; Karate Kactus and PINEO & LOEB.

Electronic Artist of the Year: Karate Kactus; Kin Crew; PINEO & LOEB; Poly Gecko; Smaller Hearts and Sparkee.

Entertainer of the Year: Alan Sylboy & The Thundermakers; AQUASOCKS (Aquakultre & Ghetsocks); Erin Costello; Jenn Grant; T. Thomason and Willie Stratton.

Folk Recording of the Year: Presented by: *The Old Triangle*: Braden Lam - Driftwood People; Dave Gunning - Up Against The Sky; Don Brownrigg - Fireworks; Jenn Grant - Love, Inevitable; Kim Barlow - How To Let Go and Villages - Villages.

Group Recording of the Year: Presented by: Hampton Inn & Suites By Hilton Truro: 2nd Generation - No More Waiting; AQUASOCKS (Aquakultre & Ghetsocks) - OLOS

The Town Heroes - Everything (will be fine when we get to where we think we're going); Villages - Villages; Wintersleep - In The Land Of and Worst Part - Heel.

Hip Hop Recording of the Year: Presented by: Cobequid Dance Academy Inc.: AQUASOCKS (Aquakultre & Ghetsocks) - HOLOS; Corey Writes - Memoirs Of An Ex-Con; EPDMC - Rap's Charlie Brown; Tachichi - Top Ten; Yilla - JAM MY LIFE 2 and YOHVN BLVCK - Icarus.

Indigenous Artist of the Year: Presented by: Leisure Days RV Truro: 2nd Generation; Alan Sylboy & The Thundermakers; Cal Johnson; Emma Stevens; Jade Bennett and SHIFT from THA 902.

Jazz Recording of the Year: Ally Fiola - Dreaming Away; Bill Elliott - Bill Elliott CCGP; Sam Wilson - Groundless Apprehensions and The Easley Quartet - The Starting Point Vs The Steep Decline.

Loud Recording of the Year: Presented by: KFC/Tacobell Truro and Stewiacke: Kuato - 2011; Orchid's Curse - Graveyard of the Gulf; Spirit of the Wildfire - Bittersweet Nothings and Worst Part - HEEL EP.

Music Video of the Year: Presented by: Vintage Mouldings: AQUASOCKS - Trump Tight Feat; Shevy Price (Directed by: Connor Lindsay); Don Brownrigg - Room for Me (Directed by: Melanie Stone); Emma Stevens - Blackbird (Directed by: Carter Chiasson & Matthew Ingraham); PINEO & LOEB - Circles Feat. Kayo & Frankie McDonald (Directed by: Tim Tracey); Wintersleep - Forest Fire (Directed by: Christopher Mills) and YOHVN BLVCK - Drowning Feat. Wren Kelly (Directed by: Brendan Lyle).

Musician of the Year: Presented by: Kohltech: Aaron Green; Anna Wedlock; J.R. Smith; Leith Fleming-Smith; Tom Easley and Tori Cameron.

New Artist Recording of the Year: Presented by: Great British Grub Café: 2nd Generation - No More Waiting; AQUASOCKS (Aquakultre & Ghetsocks) - HOLOS; Awolk - Awolk; Leanne Hoffman - What Remains; Worst Part - HEEL EP and YOHVN BLVCK - Icarus.

Pop Recording of the Year: Presented by: Fantasie Musical Instruments: Awolk - Awolk; Casey May - Night Life; Juice Girls - Juice Girls; Laura Roy - Forte; Leanne Hoffman - What Remains and Zamani - The Intro.

Recording of the Year: Presented by: Ticketpro: AQUASOCKS (Aquakultre & Ghetsocks) - HOLOS; Don Brownrigg - Fireworks; Erin Costello - Sweet Marie; Jon Samuel - Dead Melodies; Leanne Hoffman - What Remains and Villages - Villages.

Rock Recording of the Year: Presented by: Aggregate Equipment: Adam Baldwin - No Rest for the Wicked; Booji Boys - Tube Reducer; Cryptotrips - Shadow Up Gold; The Town Heroes - Everything (will be fine when we get to where we think we're going) and Washing Machine - Walk It Back.

Solo Recording of the Year: Presented by: Ticketpro: Adam Baldwin - No Rest for the Wicked; Don Brownrigg - Fireworks; Erin Costello - Sweet Marie; Jenn Grant - Love, Inevitable; Jon Samuel - Dead Melodies and

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Several Local Presenters for Music Industry Awards



By Maurice Rees

Nova Scotia Music Week festivities to be held in Truro November 7-10 includes a long list of award nominees which are under the category of music industry award. Several Truro area firms are listed at presenters of the award. Included as local presenting sponsors are: CBDC NOBL, MacQuarries Pharmasave, Subway, Fundy Textile and Rath Eastlink Community Centre. The list of industry nominees announced on September 12th follows:

Booking Agent of the Year: Presented by: CBDC NOBL: Bruce Morel; Jason MacIsaac and Stephanie Purcell.

Community Presenter of the Year: Presented by: MacQuarries Pharmasave: Cecilia Concerts; Deep Roots Music Cooperative; Halifax Music Co-op; Lunenburg Folk Harbour Society; Marigold Cultural Centre and Merigomish Schoolhouse Community Centre.

Company of the Year: Jones & Co.; Laughing Heart Music; Pavement Promotions; Pigeon Row; The Syrup Factory and Venue Records.

Educator of the Year: Keith Mullins; Matt Gorman; Maxim Cormier; Shannon Quinn; Shimon Walt and Shirley Jackson. **Event of the Year:** Celtic Colours International Festival; Halifax Jazz Festival; Halifax Pop Explosion; Halifax Urban Folk Festival; L'nuta'ql and Royal Nova Scotia International Tattoo.

Industry Professional of the Year: Don Brownrigg; Owen Lee; Sarah Jamer; Scott Long; Stephanie Purcell and Trevor Murphy.

Live Technician of the Year: Presented by: Subway: Jon Cornwall; Kirstan Adam

Moore; Peter Green; Stephen Smith; Trevor DeSouza and Tynan Dunfield.

Manager of the Year: Bruce Morel; Kyle Cunjak (Forward Music Group); Louis Thomas; Melanie Stone and Sheri Jones.

Media Professional of the Year: Katie Kelly; Kyah Sparks; Ryan Somers and Tara Thorne.

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