

Jamaican Songwriters Needed

Internationally renowned for its high-caliber judges, ISC has put together an impressive panel of 60 judges this year, offering entrants a unique opportunity to have their songs heard by some of the most influential decision-makers in the industry.

Monte Lipman, President of Universal Republic Records and a judge for the past nine years, states "We're always been impressed with the talented songwriters who participate in the ISC. This is a great A&R source to find new artists." Since 2004, three of the five Grand Prize winners have been signed to major record labels (Universal Republic, Motown, and Epic), one to a high-profile independent label, and one to a publishing deal.

The deadline to enter has been extended to December 3, 2010. ISC accepts online, mail-in, and MySpace entries. Entries must be postmarked or submitted online on or before midnight EST (US) on December 3, 2010.

One of the most prestigious songwriting competitions in the world, ISC offers entrants a chance to compete for over \$150,000 in cash and prizes, including an Overall Grand Prize package of \$25,000 (US) in cash and \$20,000 in merchandise. Winners benefit from extensive press and publicity, giving international exposure and recognition to industry professionals and music fans. ISC is open to all levels of amateur and professional songwriters throughout the world.

2010 ISC Judges:

Recording Artists:

Peter Gabriel; Rihanna; Kings of Leon; Tom Waits; Ben Harper; Jeff Beck; Kelly Clarkson; Timbaland; Keane; McCoy Tyner; Ben Folds; Train; Robbie Williams; Joe Nichols; Michael W. Smith; John Scofield; Jerry Lee Lewis; Regina Spektor; Alejandro Sanz; Jeremy Camp; Terence Blanchard; Ray Wylie Hubbard; Montel Jordan; John Mayall; Craig Morgan; Jazmine Sullivan; DJ Tiesto; James Cotton; Sandra Bernhard; Robert Earl Keen; Baaba Maal; Wynonna; John Digweed; K'Naan; Adele; Black Francis (The Pixies); Robert Smith (The Cure); Chris Hillman (The Byrds); Darryl McDaniels (Run D.M.C.); Toots Hibbert (Toots & The Maytals); Matt Thiessen (Relient K); Chayanne; and Dan Zanes

Industry Executives:

Monte Lipman (President, Universal Republic Records); Amanda Ghost (President, Epic Records); Rick Krim (Exec. VP, Talent & Music Programming, VH1); Brian Malouf (VP A&R, Walt Disney Records); Bruce Iglauer (Founder/President, Alligator Records); Angel Carrasco (Sr. VP A&R, Latin America, Sony/BMG); Ric Arboit (President, Nettwerk Music Group); Daniel Glass (Founder/CEO, Glassnote Entertainment Group); Cory Robbins (Founder/President, Robbins Entertainment); Dr. Demento (Radio Host, The Dr. Demento Show); Steve Lillywhite (Producer); Dan Storper (President, Putamayo World Music Records and Putumayo Kids); Lisa Ramsey Perkins (Sr. Director, A&R Sony Nashville); Kim Buie (VP A&R, Lost Highway); Lieb Ostrow (CEO, Music For Little People); and Tommy Morris (Talent Coordinator, The Comedy Store)

2010 Categories

Pop/Top 40, AAA (Adult Album Alternative), R&B/Hip-Hop, Adult Contemporary (AC), Rock, Country, Folk/Singer-Songwriter, Americana, Blues, Jazz, Gospel/Christian, Latin Music, Instrumental, Dance/Electronica, Comedy/Novelty,

World Music, Children's Music, Lyrics Only, Teen, Performance, Music Video, and Unsigned Only.