

2021 JOHN LENNON SONGWRITING CONTEST SESSION 1 DEADLINE IS JUNE 15th

Prestigious Annual Contest Celebrates 25th Anniversary with Over \$300,000 in Cash Awards and Prizes with Additional Prizes in Weekly Contests

NEW YORK, NEW YORK, UNITED STATES, June 9, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- New York, NY (June 9, 2021) – The John Lennon Songwriting Contest (www.jlsc.com) Session 1 deadline is fast approaching on June 15th. The JLSC, celebrating its 25th year, will present over \$300,000 in cash awards and prizes to contestants entering their original songs in 12 categories. Winners, including one Grand Prize Winner in each of 12 musical genre categories and 36 Finalists (3 in each category) will be announced September 1, 2021. Session 2 opens for submissions June 16.

The 2020. "Song of the Year" winner will be announced July 6, 2021, with a cash prize of \$20,000 in addition to the studio gear and instruments generously donated by the Contest's sponsors.

Over the years, the Contest has identified such stars as Meghan Trainor, Gaby Moreno, Elise Goldsberry and others. 2021 judges include George Clinton, Bootsy Collins, Elle King, Prince Royce, Tim McGraw, Flea, Art Alexakis, and many more notable songwriters/artists.

The Contest is made possible with the support of Yoko Ono Lennon and sponsors including Apple, Gibson, Genelec, OWC, Neutrik, Audio-Technica, Casio, Universal Audio, Skoog, SSL, Reason Studios, and Notetracks. Each year, there are 96 winners across 12 categories with 1 Song of the Year, 12 Lennon Awards, 24 Grand Prize winners, and 72 Finalists. Proceeds from the Contests help to support the non-profit John Lennon Educational Tour Bus studio (www.lennonbus.org) which brings music education to schools and other venues nationwide.

In 2020, with the onset of the pandemic, the Contest launched weekly contests with Genelec monitors and Gibson guitars as some of the prizes. The weekly opportunities, which include entry into the annual contest, have resonated with songwriters around the world and will continue through 2021.

About the John Lennon Songwriting Contest:

The John Lennon Songwriting Contest, in its 25th year, is the premiere international songwriting contest. The Contest is open year-round to amateur and professional songwriters who submit entries in any one of 12 categories in two Sessions with 72 Finalists, 24 Grand Prize Winners, 12 Lennon Award Winners and 1 Song of the Year. Entry fees from the contest help support the

non-profit John Lennon Educational Tour Bus mobile recording studio that brings music education to students of all ages nationwide. The JLSC is made possible by Yoko Ono Lennon, and sponsored by Apple, Gibson, Neutrik, OWC, Genelec, Casio, Audio-Technica, Universal Audio, König & Meyer, SSL, Reason Studios, Mesa/Boogie, Skoog, Centralized, Notetracks, Sonicbids, Guitar Player, Bass Player and Electronic Musician Magazine.

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