



SOCAN

Society of Composers, Authors and  
Music Publishers of Canada

Société canadienne des auteurs,  
compositeurs et éditeurs de musique

## **SOCAN PROUD TO SPONSOR 2010 EAST COAST MUSIC AWARDS AND CONFERENCE**

**TORONTO, March 3:** The Society of Composers, Authors and Music Publishers of Canada (SOCAN) is once again a proud sponsor of the East Coast Music Association (ECMA) Awards and Conference. ECMA awards will be handed out at a gala ceremony on March 7 at the Centre 200 in Sydney, Nova Scotia. Several SOCAN members, including Joel Plaskett, Rose Cousins, Two Hours Traffic and the Rankin Family, are among the talented artists set to perform at this year's awards show.

SOCAN is participating in several ECMA events including a ECMA/SOCAN/APRA reception on March 4 at the Joan Harriss Cruise Pavilion and the "Songwriting Royalties & Revenue Streams" panel on Friday, March 5. SOCAN is also title sponsor of the Songwriters' Circle, a much-anticipated event that enables aspiring songwriters the opportunity to hear how recognized music veterans have successfully tackled the songwriting process. The Songwriters' Circle will be held on March 7 at the Joan Harriss Cruise Pavilion from 1PM to 4PM with host Gordie Sampson and featuring Coco Love Alcorn, Amelia Curran, Catherine MacLellan and Melanie Morgan.

Each year, SOCAN presents the SOCAN-sponsored Songwriter of the Year Award at the ECMAs. Nominees to win the prestigious award this year are:

Amelia Curran – "The Mistress" (Performed by: Amelia Curran)  
Brenley MacEachern/Lisa MacIsaac – "Small of My Heart" (Performed by: Madison Violet)  
Catherine MacLellan – "Take A Break" (Performed by: Catherine MacLellan)  
Coco Love Alcorn/Chris Hockey – "Revolution" (Performed by: Coco Love Alcorn)  
Dave Gunning/Jamie Robinson – "Made On A Monday" (Performed by: Dave Gunning)  
Joel Plaskett – "Through & Through & Through" (Performed by: Joel Plaskett)  
John Mullane, Brad Goodsell, Glen Nicholson, Daniel Ledwell – "Model Homes" (Performed by: In-Flight Safety)

"ECMAs and its related events play an important role in the growth of the industry and SOCAN's continuous support is just one example of our proven commitment to our members" says André LeBel, CEO of SOCAN. "Supporting Canada's vibrant East Coast music industry is a top priority at SOCAN." Throughout the year, SOCAN takes part in a variety of sponsorships, seminars and workshops that promote and educate Canadian songwriters, lyricists, composers and their publishers.

For more information please visit [www.socan.ca](http://www.socan.ca).

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#### About SOCAN

At SOCAN, we understand that the Canadian music industry is only as strong as the sum of its parts. We are proud to play a leading role, working with other organizations to ensure the long-term health of our members' livelihoods and the Canadian music industry as a whole. SOCAN is the Canadian copyright collective for the communication and performance of musical works. We administer these rights on behalf of our members (composers, lyricists, songwriters and their publishers) and those of affiliated international organizations by licensing this use of their music in Canada. The fees collected are distributed as royalties to our members and to affiliated organizations throughout the world. We also distribute royalties received from those organizations to our members for the use of their music worldwide. SOCAN has offices in Toronto, Montreal, Vancouver, Edmonton and Dartmouth.

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