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2004 International Songwriting Competition Deadline Approaching In Two Weeks

The October 15 deadline for the third annual International Songwriting Competition (ISC) is only two weeks away. If you are an artist, songwriter or band member looking to gain exposure in the music industry, ISC is the perfect opportunity for you. "In addition to great prizes, ISC offers the unique opportunity to have your music heard by the most impressive group of judges from a variety of industry backgrounds in any songwriting competition. This makes ISC the songwriting competition to take note of."
- *Robbie Woliver, New York Times*

ISC's 2004 panel of judges include top celebrities and record label executives:

Monte Lipman (President, Universal Records); Sean "P. Diddy" Combs; Aaron Lewis (Staind); John Ondrasik (Five For Fighting); Bo Diddley; Clint Black; David Hidalgo (Los Lobos); Branford Marsalis; Darryl McDaniels (Run D.M.C.); Peter Furler (Newsboys); Taj Mahal; Sully Erna (Godsmack); Macy Gray; Stacey Earle; Scott Kirkland (The Crystal Method); Michael Gudinski (Chairman, Mushroom Group of Companies); Alan Meltzer (CEO, Wind-Up Records); Tara Griggs-Magee (Executive VP Gospel/Urban Music, Sony Records); Michael McDonald (President, ATO Records); Tracy Gershon (Sr. Dir A&R/Artist Dev, Sony Records Nashville); Chris Parr (VP of Music Programming & Talent Relations, CMT); Peter Asher (Co-President, Sanctuary Artist Management); Kim Stephens (VP A&R, Lava Records); Barbara Sedun (VP Creative, EMI Music Publishing Canada) and Leib Ostrow (CEO, Music For Little People).

More than \$100,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded to 50 winners, including \$10,000 in cash and \$30,000 in merchandise/services to the 2004 Overall Grand Prize winner.

Visit <http://www.songwritingcompetition.com> for an entry form, or to upload your songs. ISC accepts entries via mail and online. All entries submitted by mail have to be postmarked on or before October 15, 2004. Online entries have to be submitted by 11:59 p.m. EST, October 15, 2004.

Entries are accepted in the following categories:

AAA/Roots/Americana, Dance/Electronica, Jazz, R&B/Hip-Hop, Blues, Folk/Singer-Songwriter, Lyrics Only, Rock, Children's Music, Gospel/Christian, Performance, Teen, Country, Instrumental, Pop/Top 40, and World Music

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