



News Release

Winery Music Awards
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Outstanding Performances Continue at Summer-Long Competition of Original Music

Winery Music Awards Announces Artists for Second Elimination Round

Paso Robles, CA –June 28, 2007—Outstanding performances continue on July 14 at the 2007 Winery Music Awards competition, the Paso Robles-based showcase of original music artists from across the US who are unsigned with major record labels. The second of five Semi-Final concert competitions will be at Stacked Stone Cellars in Paso Robles, CA, featuring five more artists competing for a spot at the Final competition in October and a chance to win prizes, cash, and a breakthrough recording contract.

The July event will bring together a variety of musical genres performed by artists from Los Angeles, Tucson, AZ, and the Central Coast of California

“Our opening Elimination Round concert in June proved that this competition attracts extraordinary talent in original music,” says Kathy Kelly, Producer of the Winery Music Awards. “Anyone who appreciates quality original music should come to the July 14 event at Stacked Stone Cellars.”

The names and homes of the five artists qualifying as Semi-Finalists for the July Elimination Round are:

Andy Hill & Renee Safier & Hard Rain; Los Angeles, CA
Machine; Templeton, CA
Amber Norgaard; Tucson, AZ
Delaney Gibson; Los Angeles, CA
Dominic Castillo; San Luis Obispo, CA

A total of twenty unsigned, original music artists compete at the Winery Music Awards Semi-Final Elimination Round concerts, held one Saturday each month from June to September, with the Final competition on Sunday, October 7. The Final Competition will feature the winners of each Elimination Round in addition to two “Wild Card” winners who earn the next two highest scores among all artists.

Founded and produced by Kathy Kelly Productions, Inc., the competition was created out of the growing popularity of quality musical performances at many wineries throughout California. Music and entertainment industry professionals judge artist performances in the categories of Originality, Musicianship, and Marketability to the prime wine-consuming market--men and women aged 21-54. Attendees enjoy fine wine, food, and quality original music in a variety of genres surrounded by rows of vineyards and stacks of wine barrels.

Piano/Vocalist Shannon Curtis captivated the crowd at the first Elimination Round concert at Maloy O'Neill Vineyards in Paso Robles on June 9 with her powerful original music and lyrics. Ms. Curtis earned a total average score of 86.73 points out of a possible 100 points from eleven judges present, only four points higher than second place artist, the Debra Arlyn Band.

Judges expressed near unanimous opinions on Ms. Curtis, who scored highest among five artists in two of the three criteria. Debra Arlyn, however, was the only artist to earn a perfect score of 100 from any of the eleven judges, awarded by judge Timothy Drury.

The breakdown of scores earned by each artist is posted on the website for the Winery Music Awards, www.winerymusicawards.com.

Each show is hosted by Andrew Firestone, General Manager of Firestone Winery, and once featured on TV's "The Bachelor", and Co-Host Janie Terrazas, a Los Angeles-based TV personality and model.

The July 14 Semi-Final competition concert at Stacked Stone Cellars starts at 4pm. Food and wine are sold at the winery. Tickets are \$40.00. Tickets for each of the remaining rounds of the Winery Music Awards concerts are available through <http://www.BrownPaperTickets.com>, or by calling 1-800- 838-3006. Visitors to the event website, www.winerymusicawards.com, can listen to songs by the Semi-Finalists and learn more about the competition.

Note to Editor:

Artist & event photos are available to download at the MEDIA page of the Winery Music Awards website. Go to: <http://www.winerymusicawards.com/media.php>

If your publication plans to cover the Winery Music Awards, media passes are available. Contact Kathy Kelly to make arrangements.

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