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A Texas Inauguration:

LoneStarMusic & Gruene Hall

present the Inaugural LoneStarMusic Awards

On March 29th at 7 pm at Gruene Hall, Lone Star Music will announce the winners and hand out the hardware for the first time ever as they kick off a new annual awards show focused on recognizing the excellent music put out by the artists of the Texas and Red Dirt Music scene. Sponsored by Ziegenbock and Radio Free Texas, these awards are presented in conjunction with the ten year anniversary of LoneStarMusic.com and the 5 year anniversary for the Lone Star Music store, located just a block from Gruene Hall.

The ceremony will include spotlight performances from Brandon Jenkins, Randy Rogers & Brady Black, Rodney Parker, The Tejas Brothers and a closing set by Wade Bowen. The ceremony admission is free.

Nominees were selected by 35 panelists from the industry and voting will be strictly limited and tracked through the use of official hard ballots and electronic tracking methods for on line voting.

For more details about how to vote and the awards ceremony visit us online at LoneStarMusic.com and LSMAwards.com

Official Nominees for the First Annual LoneStarMusic Awards

BEST ALBUM

Band of Heathens – Band of Heathens
 Hayes Carll – Trouble In Mind
 James McMurtry – Just Us Kids
 Randy Rogers Band – Randy Rogers Band
 Wade Bowen – If We Ever Make It Home

BEST SONG

Adam Carroll – “Oklahoma Gypsy Shuffler”
 Adam Carroll – songwriter
 Cory Morrow – “He Carries Me”
 Cory Morrow, Walt Wilkins, Liz Rose - songwriters
 Jason Boland – “Comal County Blue”
 Jason Boland - songwriter
 Randy Rogers Band – “In My Arms Instead”
 Randy Rogers & Sean McConnell - songwriters
 Wade Bowen – “You Had Me At My Best”
 Wade Bowen & Jedd Hughes - songwriters

BEST LIVE ACT

Alejandro Escovedo
 Cross Canadian Ragweed
 Randy Rogers Band
 Reckless Kelly
 Ryan Bingham

BEST VOCAL PERFORMANCE – ALBUM

Band of Heathens – Band of Heathens
 Guy Forsyth – Calico Girl
 Mike McClure – did7
 Randy Rogers Band – Randy Rogers Band
 Wade Bowen – If We Ever Make It Home

BEST EMERGING ARTIST

Band of Heathens
 Justin Townes Earle
 Mando Saenz
 Rodney Parker & 50 Peso Reward
 Tejas Brothers

BEST SONGWRITER

Brandon Jenkins
 Chris Knight
 Hayes Carll
 James McMurtry
 Randy Rogers

BEST MUSICIAN

Brady Black (fiddle) – Randy Rogers Band
 Cody Braun (fiddle, mandolin) – Reckless Kelly
 Gary Wooten (guitar) – Wade Bowen
 Roger Ray (steel guitar) – Jason Boland & the Stragglers
 Travis Linville (guitar) – Hayes Carll

BEST ALBUM ARTWORK

Eleven Hundred Springs – Country Jam
 Leslie Smith – Art Design
 Cory Morrow – Vagrants & Kings
 Shauna & Sarah Dodds – Art Design
 Derailers – Guaranteed to Satisfy
 John Powell – Art Design
 Randy Rogers Band – Randy Rogers Band
 Betsy Baird - Art Design
 Reckless Kelly – Bulletproof
 Nate Van Dyke – Art Design

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