

# Rules For The

# SGN Scoops

# Diamond



# AWARDS

# 2009

**SONG OF THE YEAR** - recognizes the artist, songwriter, record company and publisher. A song may win only once.

**VIDEO OF THE YEAR** - nominees include short or long-form videos.

**ALBUM OF THE YEAR** - recognizes the recorded works of solo artists, duos, trios, and groups.

**SONGWRITER OF THE YEAR** - nominees have had at least one of their songs in a *Southern Gospel Chart* during the eligibility period.

**ANTHONY BURGER AWARD** - recognizes artistic achievement by a recording artist, session musician or touring band member.

**SUNRISE AWARD** - recognizes the new Southern Gospel artist of today who shows the most promise for maintaining and furthering his or her status. Nominees in this category have not released their debut single two years prior to the eligibility date (**January 1, 2009**) This award is also a once-in-a-lifetime honor.

**ARTIST WEB SITE** - recognizes the most outstanding artist web site in Southern Gospel Music.

**INDUSTRY WEB SITE** - recognizes the most outstanding industry (non-artist) web site in Southern Gospel Music.

Failure to follow the rules will result in your ballot being voided. **SGN SCOOPS DIGITAL** reserves the right to determine eligibility in all categories. All Southern Gospel fans are eligible to nominate.

**CHRISTIAN COMEDIAN OF THE YEAR** - recognizes the Christian Comedians in Southern Gospel.

**BLUEGRASS GOSPEL ARTIST OF THE YEAR** - recognizes performing Bluegrass Gospel groups, including two or more vocalists

*Make your selections on the next page.*

*Be sure to make ONE (1) selection for each category.*

*Mail your ballot to:*

## THE DIAMOND AWARDS

P.O. BOX 222

CADET, MO 63630

Online Ballot Available at:

[www.diamondawardsonline.com](http://www.diamondawardsonline.com)

**ONLY ONE (1) BALLOT PER PERSON. Registration Form Must Be Filled Out In Order For Ballot To Be Counted.**

### NOTICE:

**Top 5 Ballots must be in the  
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SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009  
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The **2009 SGN SCOOPS DIAMOND AWARDS** will be presented this year at the BRANSON GOSPEL MUSIC CONVENTION.

**SGN SCOOPS** values the opinions of those people who, on a daily basis, shape and affect our industry. Therefore we ask that each of you, our readers, as well as all of the great Southern Gospel fans, participate in the **2009 Annual SGN Scoops Diamond Awards**. On the following page is the official **NOMINATION BALLOT**. Please provide us with ONE (1) selection for each category.

*Award categories are for specific group or musical configurations. Please read the following carefully before voting!*

The following awards will be presented: **J.D. SUMNER LIVING LEGEND AWARD** - to recognize the living performer for whom the fans feel has made the greatest contribution to Southern Gospel music over a career spanning 25 years or more. This award is a once-in-a-lifetime honor. **PREVIOUS WINNERS:** (No longer eligible for this award) *Bill Gaither, Gloria Gaither, Naomi Sego, Ben Speer, Dottie Rambo, Connie Hopper Claude Hopper and LuLu Roman*

**GROUP OF THE YEAR** - recognizes performing Southern Gospel groups with four or more vocalists.

**TRIO OF THE YEAR** - recognizes performing groups with three vocalists.

**DUET OF THE YEAR** - recognizes performing groups with 2 vocalists.

**SOLOIST OF THE YEAR** - recognizes male or female performers who record as a solo artist.

**MALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR** and **FEMALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR** - recognizes vocalists who record as part of a duo, trio or group.

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**TOP FIVE**

The  
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AWARDS  
2009  
**BALLOT**



Please vote for **ONE (1)** in each category.  
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**J.D. SUMNER  
LIVING LEGEND AWARD**

- CHRIS FREEMAN
- ED O'NEAL
- EVA MAE LEFEVRE
- RONNIE HINSON
- TIM RILEY

**GROUP OF THE YEAR AWARD**

- BRIAN FREE & ASSURANCE
- GOLD CITY
- THE HOPPERS
- THE PERRYS
- TRIUMPHANT QUARTET

**TRIO OF THE YEAR AWARD**

- BOOTH BROTHERS
- GREATER VISION
- KAREN PECK & NEW RIVER
- MARK TRAMMELL TRIO
- THE TALLEY TRIO

**DUET OF THE YEAR AWARD**

- AARON & AMANDA CRABB
- AMAZED
- HEARTS OF FAITH
- JEFF & SHERI EASTER
- YOUNG HARMONY

**SOLOIST OF THE YEAR AWARD**

- IVAN PARKER
- JANET PASCHAL
- JASON CRABB
- KIRK TALLEY
- MARK BISHOP

**SUNRISE AWARD**

- FAITHFUL TOUCH
- PAUL'S TOUCH
- THE LADD FAMILY
- THE PEACEFUL HEARTS
- WENDY WORD + FORGIVEN

**NOTICE:**  
Only One (1) Ballot Allowed Per Person • Paper Or Electronic.

**MALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR**

- BRIAN FREE • BRIAN FREE & ASSURANCE
- DEAN HOPPER • THE HOPPERS
- MICHAEL BOOTH • THE BOOTH BROTHERS
- MIKE BOWLING • MIKE & KELLY BOWLING
- RICKY ATKINSON • RICKY ATKINSON & COMPASSION

**FAVORITE ARTIST WEBSITE**

- BRIAN FREE & ASSURANCE • www.brianfreeandassurance.com
- GOLD CITY • www.goldcityqt.com
- KIRK TALLEY • www.kirk-talley.com
- MARK LOWRY • www.marklowry.com/
- THE HOPPERS • www.thehoppers.com

**FEMALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR**

- KAREN PECK GOOCH • KAREN PECK & NEW RIVER
- KIM HOPPER • THE HOPPERS
- LAUREN TALLEY • THE TALLEYS
- SHERI EASTER • JEFF & SHERI EASTER
- SONYA ISAACS • THE ISAACS

**FAVORITE INDUSTRY WEBSITE**

- NATIONAL QUARTET CONVENTION • www.natqc.com/
- SGM RADIO • www.sgmradio.com
- SINGING NEWS MAGAZINE • www.singingnews.com
- SOGOSPELNEWS.COM • www.sogospelnews.com
- SOUTHERN GOSPEL OUTREACH • www.southerngospeloutreach.com

**SONGWRITER OF THE YEAR**

- GERALD CRABB
- JIM BRADY
- KIRK TALLEY
- RICKY ATKINSON
- RODNEY GRIFFIN

**VIDEO OF THE YEAR**

- DREAM ON • ERNIE HAASE & SIGNATURE SOUND
- LIVE AT THE WHITEHOUSE • LEGACY FIVE
- SUSIE'S EYES • HEARTS OF FAITH
- THE BEST OF GORDON MOTE • GAITHER
- LIVE AT FREEDOM HALL • THE PERRYS

**ANTHONY BURGER  
INSTRUMENTALIST OF THE YEAR**

- GORDON MOTE
- JEFF STICE
- KIM COLLINGSWORTH
- RICKY FREE
- SONYA ISAACS

**SONG OF THE YEAR**

- GOD WILL PASS BY • GREATER VISION
- THE BROKEN ONES • THE TALLEY TRIO
- THE POTTER KNOWS THE CLAY • THE PERRYS
- WHEN GOD RAN • THE KINGSMEN QUARTET
- WHISPERED PRAYERS • KAREN PECK & NEW RIVER

**CHRISTIAN COMEDIAN OF THE YEAR**

- AARON WILBURN
- DENNIS SWANBURG
- MARK BISHOP
- MARK LOWRY
- TONY GREENE

**ALBUM OF THE YEAR**

- EPHESIANS 1 • KAREN PECK & NEW RIVER
- NOT ALONE • GREATER VISION
- NOTHIN' BUT GOOD • THE LEFEVRE QUARTET
- ROOM FOR MORE • THE BOOTH BROTHERS
- WHEN GOD RAN • THE KINGSMEN QUARTET

**BLUEGRASS GOSPEL ARTIST  
OF THE YEAR**

- AUSTINS BRIDGE
- DOYLE LAWSON & QUICKSILVER
- THE ISAACS
- JEFF & SHERI EASTER
- THE PRIMITIVE QUARTET

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*Winners Will Be Announced*

**Thursday, July 16th  
At 6:30 PM**

*At The  
SGN Scoops Diamond Awards  
Celebration*

*At The  
BRANSON GOSPEL MUSIC  
CONVENTION*  
*at the Branson Convention Center  
In Branson, Missouri  
July 14 - 17, 2009  
[www.bransongmc.com/](http://www.bransongmc.com/)*

**Diamond Awards Registration**  
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