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NICKELBACK on Top with Five JUNO Award Nominations

***SAM ROBERTS earns four nods;
CÉLINE DION and HEDLEY garner three nominations each for
The 2009 JUNO Awards***

Toronto, ON (February 3, 2009) - The Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (CARAS) today announced The 2009 JUNO Awards nominees at a media conference held at Toronto's Fairmont Royal York Hotel. Emcee and 2009 JUNO Awards host, Russell Peters, introduced artists Sarah Slean, members of Saint Alvia and The Stills to help announce the year's finest talents in the Canadian recording industry.

Winners will be declared at the **JUNO Gala Dinner & Awards** on Saturday, March 28, and **The 2009 JUNO Awards** broadcast on CTV on **Sunday, March 29** at General Motors Place in Vancouver, BC. Tickets to *The 2009 JUNO Awards* go on sale starting this **Saturday, February 7 at 10:00 a.m. (PST)**, available at ticketmaster.ca.

To view a complete list of 2009 JUNO Awards nominees, go to www.junoawards.ca or www.junos.ctv.ca.

"Judging by the record number of JUNO Awards submissions received this year from artists across the country and the nominees named today, it is clear that Canadian musicians are at the top of their game and continue to add new layers of creativity and excellence to their craft and to the global music industry as well," said Melanie Berry, President of CARAS. "Congratulations to all of The 2009 JUNO Awards nominees!"

Multiplatinum-selling group **NICKELBACK** garnered five JUNO Award nominations including **JUNO Fan Choice** (presented by Pepsi), **Single of the Year**, **Album of the Year** (sponsored by the Canadian Recording Industry Association), **Group of the Year** and **Jack Richardson Producer of the Year** (with **JOEY MOI** for the hits "Gotta Be Somebody" and "Something in Your Mouth" off their sixth album, *DARK HORSE*).

Among the nominees announced today, three-time JUNO Award-winner **SAM ROBERTS** earns four nominations including **Artist of the Year**, **Rock Album of the Year** and two nominations in the same category for **Video of the Year** (sponsored by VideoFACT) for "Detroit '67" and "Them Kids."

CÉLINE DION and **HEDLEY** each earned three JUNO Award nominations. Both are nominees for the **JUNO Fan Choice** (sponsored by Pepsi); Céline Dion for **Single of the Year** and **Music DVD of the Year**; Hedley for **Album of the Year** (sponsored by the Canadian Recording Industry Association) and **Songwriter of the Year** (sponsored by SIRIUS Satellite Radio).

Today's media conference also announced that **NICKELBACK** will perform on Sunday's JUNO Awards broadcast on CTV, along with newly announced performers including **CITY AND COLOUR** (nominated for **Artist of the Year**, **Songwriter of the Year** sponsored by SIRIUS Satellite Radio), and **SIMPLE PLAN** (**Album of the Year** sponsored by the Canadian Recording Industry Association, **Group of the Year**). The 2009 Allan Waters Humanitarian Award recipient **SARAH MCLACHLAN** is also slated to perform during the live two-hour show.

The 2009 JUNO Awards, hosted by Russell Peters, will air on CTV from Vancouver's General Motors Place on Sunday, March 29, 2009.

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Complete list of 2009 JUNO Awards Nominees:**JUNO FAN CHOICE AWARD (PRESENTED BY PEPSI)**

Céline Dion Sony
Feist Arts & Crafts*EMI
Hedley Universal
Nickelback EMI
The Lost Fingers Tandem*Select/Sony

SINGLE OF THE YEAR

Taking Chances *Céline Dion* Sony
Lay It On The Line *Divine Brown* WEA*Warner
Dangerous *Kardinal Offishall* Kon Live*Universal
Lost *Michael Bublé* Reprise*Warner
Gotta Be Somebody *Nickelback* EMI

INTERNATIONAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Black Ice *AC/DC* Columbia*Sony
Viva La Vida *Coldplay* Capitol*EMI
Chinese Democracy *Guns N' Roses* Geffen*Universal
Sleep Through The Static *Jack Johnson* Brushfire*Universal
Death Magnetic *Metallica* Warner Bros.*Warner

ALBUM OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY CANADIAN RECORDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION)

Famous Last Words *Hedley* Universal
Dark Horse *Nickelback* EMI
Simple Plan *Simple Plan* Atlantic*Warner
70's Volume 2 *Sylvain Cossette* Vega *DEP/Universal
Lost In The 80's *The Lost Fingers* Tandem*Select/Sony

ARTIST OF THE YEAR

Bryan Adams Polydor*Universal
City and Colour Dine Alone*Universal
k.d. lang Nonesuch*Warner
Sam Roberts Universal
Serena Ryder EMI

GROUP OF THE YEAR

Great Big Sea WEA*Warner
Nickelback EMI
Simple Plan Atlantic*Warner
The Trews Bumstead*Universal
Tokyo Police Club Mean Beard*Universal

NEW ARTIST OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY FACTOR AND CANADA'S PRIVATE RADIO BROADCASTERS)

Crystal Shawanda Sony
Jessie Farrell 604*Universal
Kreesha Turner EMI
Lights Underground Operations*Universal
Nikki Yanofsky A440*Universal

NEW GROUP OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY FACTOR AND CANADA'S PRIVATE RADIO BROADCASTERS)

Beast Pheromone/Vega*Universal
Cancer Bats Distort*Universal
Crystal Castles Last Gang*Universal
Plants and Animals Secret City*Fusion III
The Stills Arts & Crafts*EMI

SONGWRITER OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY SIRIUS SATELLITE RADIO)**Alanis Morissette**

"Underneath" | "Not As We" | "In Praise Of The Vulnerable Man"

FLAVORS OF ENTANGLEMENT – Alanis Morissette Maverick*Warner

Dallas Green

"Waiting..." | "Sleeping Sickness" | "The Girl"

BRING ME YOUR LOVE – City and Colour Dine Alone*Universal

Gordie Sampson

"When I Said I Would"- Whitney Duncan/John Shanks

WHEN I SAID I WOULD – Whitney Duncan Warner Bros.*Warner

"Just A Dream" – Hillary Lindsey/Steve McEwan

CARNIVAL RIDE – Carrie Underwood 19*Sony

"Davey Jones" – Michael Logan

FOR THE FEW AND FAR BETWEEN – Gordie Sampson MapleMusic*Universal

Hedley

"Old School" | "For The Nights I Can't Remember" – Dave Genn

"Never Too Late" – Greig Nori

FAMOUS LAST WORDS – Hedley Universal

Nathan Ferraro

"Never Again" | "Change For You"

"Unaware" – Gavin Brown

HOLES – The Midway State Remedy*EMI

COUNTRY RECORDING OF THE YEAR

Thankful Aaron Pritchett 604*Universal

Dawn Of A New Day Crystal Shawanda Sony

Beautiful Life Doc Walker Open Road*Universal

What I Do George Canyon Reiny Dawg*Universal

Chasing The Sun Tara Oram Open Road*Universal

ADULT ALTERNATIVE ALBUM OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY GALAXIE, RISING STARS PROGRAM OF THE CBC)

Between The Beautifuls Hawksley Workman Universal

Asking For Flowers Kathleen Edwards MapleMusic*Universal

Exit Strategy Of The Soul Ron Sexsmith Ronboy Rhymes*Warner

The Baroness Sarah Slean WEA*Warner

is it o.k Serena Ryder EMI

ALTERNATIVE ALBUM OF THE YEAR

In The Future Black Mountain Jagjaguwar*Scratch

Soft Airplane Chad VanGaal Flemish Eye*Outside

The Chemistry Of Common Life Fucked Up Matador*Alternative Dis. Alliance

Parc Avenue Plants and Animals Secret City*Fusion III

Oceans Will Rise The Stills Arts & Crafts*EMI

POP ALBUM OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY 91.7 THE BOUNCE)

Flavors of Entanglement Alanis Morissette Maverick*Warner

No Sleep At All Creature Bonsound*Universal

Wake Up And Say Goodbye David Usher MapleMusic*Universal

Passion Kreesha Turner EMI

Holes The Midway State Remedy*EMI

ROCK ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Terminal Romance Matt Mays & El Torpedo Sonic*Warner

Fortress Protest The Hero Underground Operations*Universal

Love At The End Of The World Sam Roberts Universal

Parallel Play Sloan murderecordings*Sony

No Time For Later The Trews Bumstead*Universal

VOCAL JAZZ ALBUM OF THE YEAR

If the Moon Turns Green... *Diana Panton* Independent
Parkdale *Elizabeth Shepherd* Do Right! Music*Outside
Lucky *Molly Johnson* A440*Universal
Ella...Of Thee I Swing *Nikki Yanofsky* A440*Universal
Ima *Yvette Tollar* Rolvermaryem*Outside

CONTEMPORARY JAZZ ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Existential Detective *Barry Romberg's Random Access Large Ensemble* Romhog*Outside
Rasstones *François Bourassa Quartet* Effendi*Fusion III
Embracing Voices *Jane Bunnett* EMI
The Sicilian Jazz Project *Michael Occhipinti* True North*Universal
A Bend In The River *Roberto Occhipinti* Alma*Universal

TRADITIONAL JAZZ ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Small Wonder *Brad Turner Quartet* Maximum*EMI
Solo *Chris Donnelly* Alma*Universal
For Kenny Wheeler *Don Thompson Quartet* Sackville Records
TV Trio *John Stetch* Brux Records
Second Time Around *Oliver Jones* Justin Time*Fusion III

INSTRUMENTAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Nostomania *DJ Brace presents The Electric Nosehair Orchestra* Balanced Records
The Soundtrack *The Creaking Tree String Quartet* Independent*Outside
The Furniture Moves Underneath *Inhabitants* Drip Audio*Fontana North
Telescope *Steve Dawson* Black Hen*Fontana North
Auk/Blood *Tanya Tagaq* Jericho Beach*Outside

FRANCOPHONE ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Tous les sens *Ariane Moffatt* Audiogram*Select
L'arbre aux parfums *Caracol* Indica*Outside
Cœur de pirate *Cœur de pirate* Dare To Care*Select
Le volume du vent *Karkwa* Audiogram*Select
Tradarnac *Swing* LAFAB*Select

CHILDREN'S ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Snacktime! *Barenaked Ladies* Desperation*Warner
FiddleFire! *Chris McKhool* Independent*Outside
Oui! *Gregg LeRock* Grafton*Fontana North
Catchy Tune *Jack Grunsky* Casablanca Kids*EMI
The Kerplunks *The Kerplunks* Independent

CLASSICAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR: SOLO OR CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Schumann: Sonata in F# Minor & Humoreske *Angela Hewitt* Hyperion*SRI
Haydn: Six Sonatas for Piano *Anton Kuerti* Analekta*Select
Shostakovich: 24 Preludes & Fugues opus 87 *David Jalbert* ATMA*Naxos
Homage *James Ehnes* ONYX*SRI
Schubert: Complete Piano Trios *The Gryphon Trio* Analekta*Select

CLASSICAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR: LARGE ENSEMBLE OR SOLOIST(S) WITH LARGE ENSEMBLE ACCOMPANIMENT

Bruckner: Symphonie N° 9 *Orchestre Métropolitain du Grand Montréal/Yannick Nézet-Séguin* ATMA*Naxos
Beethoven: Ideals Of The French Revolution *Orchestre symphonique de Montréal/Kent Nagano* Analekta*Select
Bach: Métamorphoses *Orchestre symphonique de Québec/Yoav Talmi* ATMA*Naxos
Beethoven: Symphonies Nos. 7 & 8 *Tafelmusik/Bruno Weil* Analekta*Select
Haydn: Symphonies 62, 107 & 108 *Toronto Chamber Orchestra/Kevin Mallon* Naxos

CLASSICAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR: VOCAL OR CHORAL PERFORMANCE**The Voice of Bach** *Daniel Taylor* Sony**Gloria! Vivaldi's Angels** *Ensemble Caprice* Analekta*Select**Schumann: Dichterliebe & other Heine Settings** *Gerald Finley* Hyperion*SRI**Handel: Arias** *Karina Gauvin* ATMA*Naxos**Bach and the Liturgical Year** *Shannon Mercer/Luc Beauséjour* Analekta*Select**CLASSICAL COMPOSITION OF THE YEAR****Manhattan Music** *Bramwell Tovey* MANHATTAN MUSIC *Opening Day**Universal**Flanders Fields Reflections** *John Burge* FLANDERS FIELDS REFLECTIONS Marquis*EMI**Song of Songs** *Sid Robinovitch* SEFARÁD Marquis*EMI**From The Dark Reaches** *T. Patrick Carrabré* FIREBRAND Centrediscs*Fusion III**Notes Towards A Poem That Can Never Be Written** *Timothy Corlis* NOTES TOWARDS Chestnut Hall**RAP RECORDING OF THE YEAR****A Captured Moment In Time** *DL Incognito* URBNET*Fontana North**The Book** *D-Sisive* URBNET*Fontana North**I Rap Now** *Famous* HHC*KOCH**Not 4 Sale** *Kardinal Offishall* Kon Live*Universal**Point Blank** *Point Blank* TiltRock*KOCH**DANCE RECORDING OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY ENERGY 101.5)****Everything's Gonna Be Alright** *James Doman* Heaven*EMI**Get Blahsted** *Hatiras & MC Flipside* Hatrax*IODA**Move For Me** *Deadmau5 vs. Kaskade* Ultra*EMI**Random Album Title** *Deadmau5* Ultra*EMI**Yes We Can** *House Music United* SPG*DEP/Universal**R&B/SOUL RECORDING OF THE YEAR****The Love Chronicles** *Divine Brown* WEA*Warner**The Promise** *Deborah Cox* Deco*KOCH**Elise Estrada** *Elise Estrada* Rockstar Music*KOCH**TONY** *Ivana Santilli* Do Right! Music*Outside**Money** *Zaki Ibrahim* Sony**REGGAE RECORDING OF THE YEAR****Jah Lift Me Up** *Blessed* Hard Drive Productions**Renegade Rocker** *Dubmatix 7 Arts**Fusion III**Everything** *Humble* Palm of Gold Records**The Peacemaker's Chauffeur** *Jason Wilson* Wheel Records*Nuff Ent.**Truth Will Reveal** *Souljah Fyah* One Girl Records*Love Empire Ent.**ABORIGINAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY ABORIGINAL PEOPLES TELEVISION NETWORK)****First Law Of The Land** *Billy Joe Green* Americuse Empire/Strongfront*Indiepool**Running For The Drum** *Buffy Sainte-Marie* Gypsy Boy*EMI**Auk/Blood** *Tanya Tagaq* Jericho Beach*Outside**The World (And Everything In It)** *Team Rezofficial* Arbor*EMI**No Lies** *Tracy Bone* Arbor*EMI**ROOTS & TRADITIONAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR: SOLO****Tinderbox** *Fred Eaglesmith* Lonesomeday*Outside**Ghost Notes** *Matthew Barber* Outside**The Contradictor** *Ndidi Onukwulu* Jericho Beach*Outside**Proof Of Love** *Old Man Luedecke* Black Hen*Fontana North**Happy Here** *Suzie Vinnick* Independent*Outside

ROOTS & TRADITIONAL ALBUM OF THE YEAR: GROUP

Chic Gamine *Chic Gamine* Independent
Fast Paced World *The Duhks* Sugar Hill*EMI
Mountain Meadows *Elliott BROOD* Six Shooter*Warner
XOK *NQ Arbuckle* Six Shooter*Warner
Highway Prayer *Twilight Hotel* Independent*Outside

BLUES ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Get Way Back – A Tribute To Percy Mayfield *Amos Garrett* Stony Plain*Warner
Acoustic Blues – Got 'Em From The Bottom *Big Dave McLean* Stony Plain*Warner
Love & Sound *Garrett Mason* Soul In Sound
Mess Of Blues *Jeff Healey* Stony Plain*Warner
Ramblin' Son *Julian Fauth* Electro-Fi*Outside

CONTEMPORARY CHRISTIAN/GOSPEL ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Colors And Sounds *Article One* Inpop*EMI/CMG
Ending Is Beginning *Downhere* Centricity*David C. Cook
Roar Of Heaven *Life Support* Downloaded Records
Salvation Station *newworldson* Inpop*EMI/CMG
I Will Go *Starfield Sparrow**EMI/CMG

WORLD MUSIC ALBUM OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY CANADA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS)

Shivaboom *Eccodek* White Swan*Outside
The Art Of The Early Egyptian Qanun *George Dimitri Sawa* Independent
Africa To Appalachia *Jayme Stone & Mansa Sissoko* Independent*Outside
Contrabanda *Lubo & Kaba Horo* Crosscurrent*Fusion III
Cairo to Toronto *Maryem & Ernie Tollar* Independent*Outside

JACK RICHARDSON PRODUCER OF THE YEAR

David Foster "A Change Is Gonna Come" – SOUL – *Seal* Warner Bros. | "Silent Night" – NOEL Josh Groban 143/Reprise*Warner
Daniel Lanois "Here Is What Is" | "Not Fighting Anymore" HERE IS WHAT IS – *Daniel Lanois* Red Floor* Fontana North
k.d. lang "I Dream Of Spring" | "Coming Home" WATERSHED – *k.d. lang* Nonesuch*Warner
Nickelback & Joey Moi (co-producer *Mutt Lange*) "Gotta Be Somebody" | "Something In Your Mouth" DARK HORSE – *Nickelback* EMI
Stuart Brawley "Don't Stop Now" | "Falling" INSIDE OUT – *Emmy Rossum* Geffen*Universal

RECORDING ENGINEER OF THE YEAR

Joey Moi "Gotta Be Somebody" | "Never Gonna Be Alone" DARK HORSE – *Nickelback* EMI
John "Beetle" Bailey "Lucky" | "If I Were A Bell" LUCKY – *Molly Johnson* A440*Universal
Kevin Churko "Disappearing" | "The Big Bang" U-CATASTROPHE – *Simon Collins* Razor & Tie*Sony
Mike Fraser "Rock N' Roll Train" BLACK ICE – *AC/DC* Columbia*Sony | "Them Kids" LOVE AT THE END OF THE WORLD – *Sam Roberts* Universal
Randy Staub "Something In Your Mouth" DARK HORSE – *Nickelback* EMI

CD/DVD ARTWORK DESIGN OF THE YEAR

Anouk Pennel (Director/Designer); Stéphane Poirer (Illustrator)
En concert dans la forêt des mal-aimés avec l'Orchestre Métropolitain du Grand Montréal
PIERRE LAPOINTE Independent*Select
Phoebe Greenberg (Director); George Fok (Designer), Daniel Fortin (Illustrator)
Leda & St. Jacques, Productions l'Éloi (Photographer)
Pulse Of The Planet **SLIM WILLIAMS** Phi*DEP
John Cook (Director); Kelly Ferguson (Designer); John James Audubon (Illustrator); Koko Bonaparte (Photographer)
Sugarbird **PAUL REDDICK** Northern Blues* Outside
Mark Sasso (Director/Designer); Casey Laforet (Designer)
Mountain Meadows **ELLIOTT BROOD** Six Shooter*Warner
Dallas Wehrle (Director); Robyn Kotyk (Director/Designer); Alex vs. Alex (Photographer)
Kensington Heights **CONSTANTINES** Arts & Crafts*EMI

VIDEO OF THE YEAR (SPONSORED BY VIDEOFACT)

Honey Honey Anthony Seck *FEIST* Arts & Crafts*EMI
Going On Wendy Morgan *GNARLES BARKLEY* Downtown*Warner
Blond Kryptonite Davin Black *SAINT ALVIA* Stomp*Warner
Detroit '67 Dave Pawsey *SAM ROBERTS* Universal
Them Kids Dave Pawsey *SAM ROBERTS* Universal

MUSIC DVD OF THE YEAR

Blue Road Christopher Mills, Geoff McLean *BLUE RODEO* WEA*Warner
A MultiMedia Life Joan Prowse Gilles Paquin *BUFFY SAINTE-MARIE* Gypsy Boy*EMI
Live In Las Vegas – A New Day Jean Lamoureux Julie Snyder *CÉLINE DION* Columbia*Sony
Here Is What Is Adam Vollick, Adam Samuels *DANIEL LANOIS* Red Floor*Fontana North
It All Started With A Red Stripe Alex Liu, Greg Benedetto, Kenny Bridges, George Stroumbouloupoulos *MONEEN* Dine Alone*Universal

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