



BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER 2016

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to our November 2016 Newsletter.

As usual, we'd like to extend big 'thank you' to all our sponsors, supporters, friends, members and fans.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

What a show!!! The 40th Annual BCCMA Awards Show last weekend was a HUGE success! I believe, it was our best yet! Thank you to everyone that helped make this years Awards show happen. From sponsors to stage crew, volunteers & the staff at the Molson Canadian Theatre, THANK YOU, we couldn't have done it without you.

Our BCCMA family just continues to grow. Watching the growth of this family warms my heart. Seeing artists, musicians and industry folk all cheer each other on, help and support each other in every aspect is what family does and I see that with all of you. It takes a strong family to build a home, and we have that with all of you on board. Thank you for making the BCCMA the strongest Provincial Country organization in Canada!!!

We got some great feedback on our seminar this year, so we are working on possibly having a few more over the winter months. Stay tuned.

Next up, our AGM in February. We'll announce this date next month. It's important to attend this meeting to express your concerns, talk and ask questions about what's going on with the BCCMA and what the future holds. All paid members are welcome.

Time for some rest after a busy few months, til next time...

Linda Corscadden
President, BCCMA

NEWS / EVENTS

2016/2017 SPONSORSHIP

Want to earn some easy money? Here's your chance!

To operate and serve the membership of the BC Country Music Association, we are seeking your participation for all the highly publicized and well attended events planned throughout the year.

The BCCMA Board of Directors would like to offer 10% commission on all sponsorships brought in by YOU. If you love networking and sales, this is a great opportunity for you to make some extra money.

Sponsorship is an integral part of supporting, celebrating and building our Country Music Industry. We continue to promote the achievements of our BC Country Music Artist and provide a framework to develop Artists, Songwriters, Musicians and all other aspects of this vibrant community.

If you would like to be a part of our Sponsorship team, please contact Linda directly at linda@bccountry.com

BCCMA AWARDS SHOW – SILENT AUCTION

Our awards show silent action was a huge success again this year. We'd like to thank the following for their donations. We really appreciate your continued support. Rebellion Tattoo Studio, Sammy J's Bar & Grill, Rock-It Boy Entertainment, Giesbrecht's Tree Farm, Home Depot - Langley, Studio Downe Under, Long & McQuade - Langley, Aaron Pritchett/Kim Stoneburg, Paul Caravetta, Lordco - Richmond, Rockin' River Music Fest, Jennean Gough, Stefanie's Crocheting Creations, Brian Griffin/BC Place, 604 Records, Jonker Nissan, Dee Lippingwell, Live Love Laugh Photography by Kim, Platinum Blue Event Professionals, Canada Furnace, Stampede Tack and Western Wear.

ROCKIN' RIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Save the Date: On November 21 Rockin' River Music Festival will be announcing the lineup for Rockin' River Music Festival 2017, which is happening August 3-7 in Merritt BC. Find out who will be sharing the stage with Toby Keith at the best party of the summer. This is an announcement you won't want to miss!

Keep your eye on their Facebook page for all the details

<https://www.facebook.com/rockinrivermusicfest/> www.rockinriverfest.com

Early Bird Tickets are on sale now!

NASHVILLE CMA FESTIVAL TOUR

June 7-12, 2017 • 6 Days 5 Nights • Maximum 25 Guests

Join Maritime Travel and popular Vancouver radio personality Joanne Sutton as they head to Nashville to see the hottest country stars in the world. Their popular CMA Fest tours sell out quickly each year. Hurry!

HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

- Reserved Seating at all main stage nightly star-packed concerts
- Daily concerts at daytime Riverfront
- Admission to Music City Center for Fan Fair X
- Backstage Grand Ole Opry Tour
- Nashville City Tour
- Private Welcome Reception with Joanne
- 5 Nights' Accommodation at the Gaylord Opryland Resort
- Fully escorted by Joanne Sutton
- Daily and nightly shuttles to and from CMA Fest
- Fun, laughs & memories for a lifetime!

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INVICTUS ENTERTAINMENT GROUP

INVICTUS ENTERTAINMENT GROUP RANKS AS #1 INDEPENDENT CANADIAN PROMOTER, AS PER POLLSTAR REPORTING

October 24, 2016 (TORONTO, ON) – 2016 has been an incredible year for Canada's Invictus Entertainment Group. Selling more than 150,000 tickets to date in 2016, and consistently listed in the world's top 100 concert promoters by Pollstar, the company has come out of Q3 reporting ranked as the #1 Independent Canadian promoter, and #54 worldwide.

Invictus' Director of Arena Touring and Logistics, Lisa Zechmeister says "We are committed to providing a wide variety of content to enhance arts and culture within our city centers and, in turn, providing benefits to local businesses from the economic spinoff which is a natural outcome from having events in town. Our third quarter promoter ranking reflects our fierce dedication to putting the right act in the right venue so that the artists, fans, community, and promoter will prosper together in the spirit of entertainment."

Invictus recently wrapped Canadian Country Music Week in London, ON with three major wins -- Management Company of the Year, Booking Agency of the Year and the Ron Sakamoto Talent Buyer or Promoter of the Year. Upcoming Invictus events include dates with Dierks Bentley, Ringo Starr, Chris Stapleton, Blue Rodeo, Toby Keith and many more.

About Invictus Entertainment Group

Founded in 2012, and dedicated to facilitating the unconquerable artistic spirit - Invictus Entertainment Group is a diversified entertainment company with an adaptive edge, that produces over 800 shows per year. 2016 touring partners have included Carrie Underwood, Dolly Parton, Don Henley, Kenny Rogers, Meat Loaf and Alice Cooper, among many others.

Web: www.iegrouppca.com

Twitter: [www.twitter.com/iegrouppca](https://twitter.com/iegrouppca)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/InvictusEntertainmentGroup>

JAMS

Chris Rolin hosts an open jam in Maple Ridge every Sunday 3:00 -7:00 at the Army and Navy Vets Club in Maple Ridge (122326 North Ave). Everyone is welcome.

Merv Tremblay hosts an open jam at the Captain's Pub (33331 Harbour Ave) every Sunday 3:30 until whenever, everyone is welcome.

ARTIST NEWS

TODD RICHARD

"I want to say it was such an honor to be part of the 40th annual awards. And congrats to all the 2016 BCCMA recipients and nominees. Biggest thank you to all the board members, volunteers, sound & lighting crews, incredible Lying Bastards and everyone that worked so hard to make the 40th annual BCCMA awards such an amazing night!"

Todd is excited to announce that project "Follow Your Heart" is moving full steam ahead. He and co-writer/conspirator Jeff Johnson-(2016 BCCMA Producer of the Year!) have been busy adding to the star - studded line up of artists from across Canada to perform on FYH.

With the help of Variety BC they have been asked to appear on Global BC the morning of Nov 04th to talk about the plans for the song & perform it acoustically. Then later that day Todd will be performing with the TR Band during the Variety Street Festival at Surrey Centre City. He will go live with Global BC during the 6pm newscast and perform "Follow Your Heart" with a full choir and special guest actress and singer Mary Zilba! The song is scheduled to release Dec 15th of 2016.

Events

Nov 04th- 8:30 am *Global BCMorning News

Nov 04th - 6:30pm *Surrey Centre City- Live performance on Global BC evening news.

Nov 07th - Tickets become available at tourismharrison.com for

- A Sasquatch New Years Eve w/ Todd Richard & TR Band!

SCOTT SMITH

"Scott Smith's Adventures in Steel Guitar Part 1" Tuesday Nov 9 - 8:00 pm at The Heatley in Vancouver, 696 East Hastings St.

Scott Smith is doing a regular monthly gig at the Heatley in Vancouver where each show he'll focus on the music of a different steel guitar player that has influenced his playing. For the first show on November 8th, he'll be playing the music of Buck Owens and his amazing steel guitar player Tom Brumley - the big hits as well as the great instrumentals the Buckaroos recorded. Future "Adventure in Steel Guitar" shows will look at the music of Ralph Mooney (Waylon Jennings/Merle Haggard), Sneaky Pete (Gram Parsons), Daniel Lanois, Jerry Garcia and many others.

Scott Smith - steel guitar

Paul Pigat - guitar

Jeremy Holmes - bass

Leon Parker - drums

BEN KLICK

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to all the 2016 BCCMA Nominees and Winner's at this year's award show! It was great to see everyone over the weekend! Ben would like to thank everyone in the BCCMA family for voting and receiving his first award for Website of the Year (www.benklik.com)!

Ben Klick is working with 7-17 Music in Nashville, TN on some new singles for the new year! With plans to release in late February, Ben is busy writing a catalogue of new music for potential cuts in 2017! With monthly gigs lined up through the winter months at the OK Corral and The Globe at Big White Ski Resort, Ben and the band are creating a brand new set list and stage show for the coming year!

Connect with Ben through [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and on the [Official Website](#)!

ME AND MAE

"We would like to send a huge thank you to the BCCMA community for getting us to the final ballot as Group/Duo of the year. Regardless of the outcome, we are grateful for your votes and consideration."

Right now, Me and Mae are working on new material, which they are hoping to have ready for the beginning of the new year.

Me and Mae would like to welcome their newest members, Ashley Weir and Cameron Belter, to not only the Me and Mae family, but the huge family that is the BCCMA. They are so excited to move forward and have already started working on new material for the new year.

As stated last month, they have a bunch of stuff in the works and can't wait to announce it all in the coming month.

Upcoming shows:

November 5th - Venue Niteclub
With Rod Black and West of Memphis

November 25th - Festival of Lights (Summerland, BC)

Please contact any of their band members for advanced tickets (only \$10!) for the November 5th show. They will happily, and personally, deliver tickets to you anywhere in the lower mainland.

[DANIELLE MARIE](#)

"I can't believe another BCCMA Awards show has come and gone... WHAT A YEAR! I can't thank this amazing country music family enough for all of the endless support it shows its artists. I was honoured to be up for 2 awards this year, next to so many people that I truly look up to. The show itself was better than ever and I am already so excited for what's to come next year! HUGE congratulations to all of the winners and nominees, so well deserved."

Danielle Marie happy to announce that her project with Scotty Chops (Scott Cooke) has expanded and they are back in the studio working on more tunes for you guys! Her single will be released soon, so thank you for your continued patience!! :) "You can't rush greatness as I always say."

As for shows this month, she is SUPER excited to be traveling with the boys to Toronto to take part in Indie Week 2016 (Nov 15-21). It's such an awesome opportunity and it will be another great learning experience! If you know anyone in the area, please feel free to let them know that Danielle Marie will be playing!!

Wed, Nov 16
Indie Week Canada Country Showcase (judged Event)
10pm EST @ The Cameron House
Toronto, ON

Thurs, Nov 17
Indie Week Canada Acoustic
@ Toronto "Path" TBD
Toronto, ON

Fri, Nov 18
Indie Week Canada
8pm EST @ The Burroughes
Toronto, ON

www.daniellemariemusic.com

IVAN BOUDREAU

SongStage is hosted by Canadian musician and songwriter Ivan Boudreau. SongStage evenings offer a mix of eclectic musicians and facilitated discussion of the art and craft of the songwriting process and the development of live performance skills. Special guest songwriters are invited to perform followed by an open mic showcase for writers of original music. SongStage is presented in association with The Songwriters Association of Canada. Lobby Nights are offered by The ACT Arts Centre in Maple Ridge, and are free and open to the community.

Tuesday November 8, 2016 from 7 – 9pm SongStage presents Shari Ulrich – Songs & Songwriting: A Concert & Conversation, about the art & craft of song writing. This special SongStage offers a live performance of music and stories about inspiration or ideas that help create the songs. A question & answer session about the process and methods of the song writing will follow the performance.

The HEELS

November 6th The Heels headline The Roxy's famous Country Sunday with special guests Rollin Trainwreck. Join the Country Girls celebrating their first BCCMA win of the Ray McAuley Horizon Award. The full band show will include brand new Heels music and also happens to be Kyla's birthday! The party starts at 8:00pm, tickets are available at the door or \$7 through Showpass. Full details are available at www.theheelsmusic.com

AJAYE JARDINE

Ajaye had an amazing weekend at the BC Country Awards. Her showcase on Friday night debuted new music and she had a great time performing with Michael Meroniuk and BCCMA nominated musician Marc Gladstone. She was also a final nominee for Female Vocalist, Roots/Canadiana and Website of the year. She wishes a big congrats to fellow nominees and all award winners from the show!

Ajaye returns to the studio next month to complete "Chasing Red Lights" (David Borys/Victoria Banks) with Sheldon Zaharko. There is some more exciting news coming soon, so stay tuned on her social media platforms for more information!

Be sure to also follow her "My Way Wednesday" blog at www.ajayejardine.com and her "Canadian Covers" video series every Friday on her Youtube Channel/
www.youtube.com/ajayejardine

RANT VALENTYNE

Rant is a producer/mixing engineer with 25+ years experience. Please contact him about mixing your track and he will send you samples of his work.

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<https://www.facebook.com/Rant.songwriter.producer/>

THE COUNTY LINE

Megan and Hayden would like to thank the BCCMA for having them at the Saturday night showcase on awards weekend and for such a warm welcome from the 'BCCMA Family' at their first BC Country Music Association Event. The duo and their band will be performing across Vancouver Island on the following dates:

November 5th - Parksville BC - The Rod & Gun

November 17th/18th/19th - Victoria BC - The Duke Saloon

November 25th - Saltspring Island BC - Moby's

LAURIE THAIN

Laurie is very happy to announce the details for "A Warm Winter Wish", the 2016 edition of Christmas at the Little Brick Church and is very excited about the line-up.

"A Warm Winter Wish" will be their 51st show at the Little Brick Church. Their first series was in 1995, 21 years ago. It has been an amazing run, however, the Christmas show on December 3rd will be the last to be offered at the Little Brick Church as part of a series.

Laurie's new project is a song, "I Am Canadian", that music partner Gord Maxwell and Laurie have written and recorded for Canada's 150th birthday in 2017. When the time is right they will be very proud to let you hear it.

The Christmas show this year is extremely special to Blair and Marlene and Laurie. PLEASE RESERVE YOUR TICKETS EARLY!!!!!! Since this is the last show for a while, they are hoping that you will all come out to help them retire the series. PLEASE reserve early as it is not possible to add a second show in the evening.

They have asked Cythera Transition House Society to be their charity again this year. You can learn all about the good work they do here at: <http://cythera.ca/>. In the true spirit of Christmas, they will once again present their donation to a representative of Cythera Transition House Society at the end of the show.

A Warm Winter Wish – Christmas 2016 at the Little Brick Church

Saturday Dec. 3, 2016 at 2pm – St. Andrews Heritage Church Hall, 22279 – 116th Ave. Maple Ridge (just off the bypass).

Laurie Thain and friends – Jim Woodward, The Charles Dickens Carollers, Gord Maxwell & Junior Singers.

Tickets - \$20 – under 16 admitted by donation to Cythera Transition House Society

Seats limited so reservations recommended, email purepacificmusic@gmail.com

Call Laurie: 604-530-6530 or Blair & Marlene: 604-466-9773

ROSEMARY SIEMENS

Rosemary has released her debut solo bluegrass/country album “Plum Coulee My Home”. She has gone from Manitoba, Nashville and Vancouver to record and write, and is excited to finally share this new music with you. Check out her album on itunes.

She is also excited to share the newest music video for her radio single “Barefoot ‘N Bling”. The video can be found on youtube. The song has been picked up on radio in Canada, US and Australia.

November 2nd - 7pm – Vancouver CD release concert for Rosemary & The Sweet Sound Revival. Canadian Memorial Church 1825 West 16th Ave. Vancouver.
Admission by donation (suggested \$20)

Rosemary will have a 9-piece band along with some very special guests including Mary Zilba, Catherine St. Germain, Warren Dean Flandez, Eli Bennett, Lonnie Delisle, along with the incredible Top Line Vocal Collection Choir.

Rosemary will be performing on a cruise, as the featured performer from Nov. 4 – 9 with Roy & Rosemary. They will be going through the Panama Canal on Crystal Cruises. Follow Rosemary on Facebook and Instagram. www.RosemarySiemens.com

SUBMISSIONS to the BCCMA NEWSLETTER

The BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER will be published and circulated at the beginning of every month. We’re shooting for the 1st.

BCCMA members are encouraged to submit community and artist news, event listings, tour dates and announcements monthly for the BCCMA e-NEWSLETTER.

Please ensure that your submission is **brief (100 words) but detailed and ready to be published**. You may include links with your submission. **For event listings and tour dates, please only submit the upcoming month’s dates**. Please email submissions to bccma@bccountry.com at **any time before 6pm [PST] on the 25th of every month** to be included in the following month’s e-Newsletter