

October 2024 Issue 21

Hello everyone,

Well folks, October is here already, and I hardly know where to begin. Let's dive right into this one and hopefully I can relay all the necessary information in an order that will make sense!

October is an exciting month for the New Brunswick Country Music Hall of Fame with the 2024 Induction Ceremony and Gala just around the corner, it's going to be the main topic of this month's column. This will also mark my first Induction Ceremony and Gala as President of the Hall of Fame. I hope you will understand when I tell you that I am somewhat nervous. Not because I am worried about the event being a success though, because I know we have a good team in place, and it is shaping up to be a great event!

I am in awe and humbled by the scope of what Ivan and Vivian Hicks have been able to accomplish. Their vision and leadership has brought us through an era of change and forward-thinking progress that has elevated our status from humble beginnings to an organization with a focus on our musical heritage past, present, and future! And with 27+ years of experience these are very big shoes to fill!

I reach out to each and every one of you and ask for your patience and a prayer that we as an organization will continue to move onward and upward and make them proud of the New Brunswick Country Music Hall of Fame, your Hall of Fame!

The Board of Directors have worked hard to ensure that the week of October 15th to the 20th will also be an exceptional week, and yes, I say week as we are having something going on in different locations throughout Fredericton leading up to the Induction Ceremony and Gala!

Check out the information on the posters below, it is going to be a ton of fun, music, and comradery for everyone!



Gala 2024

Hosts/Hôtes: NB Country Music Hall of Fame Board of Directors

October 19 Octobre, 2024
Fredericton Inn - 1315 Regent St., Fredericton NB

Meet & Greet, Banquet & Induction Ceremony - 3:00pm Rencontre sociale, banquet & cérémonie d'intronization

> Concert – 8:00 pm featuring/en vedette Hall of Famers

Late Night Jam - Fredericton Inn - 11:00pm

Inductees/Intronisées

Jason Barry Brian Mallery Jocelyn McNeill Rik Reese Phil McGeehan

Church Service with Gospel Music: Sunday, Oct 20th - 10:30am Gibson Memorial United Church - Fredericton NB

Free Live Music Series Oct 15-20th
Watch our website & Facebook for info.
www.nbcmhf.com

TICKETS Gala Package (includes all events)

Contact Sandra Reed: 506-472-0355 sanreed101@gmail.com (e-transfer available)



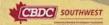
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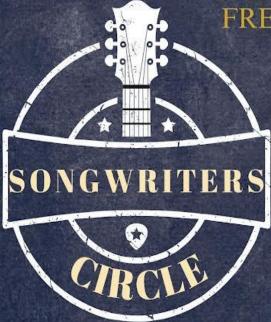








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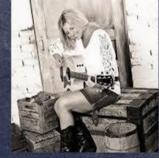


TICKETS \$20

Fredericton Inn Front Desk or Brent: 506-999-4633 freddytattooexpo@gmail.com

Hosted by:
Joan Kennedy (Hall of Fame)
with songwriters
Randy Vail (HF), Amelia Underhill,
Mike Bravener & Dwane Drost (HF)

Hear the stories behind the songs in this intimate evening of music presented by the NB Country Music Hall of Fame









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All musicians & songwriters welcome!

SONGWRITING WORKSHOP

HOSTED BY JOAN KENNEDY & MARK ROBERTS

> Oct 17, 2024 - 3pm Fredericton Inn

\$20 Tickets at Fredericton Inn Front Desk or contact Brent:

freddytattooexpo@gmail.com 506-999-4633



TOPICS

- · Structure of a song
- Co-writing
- Pitching your song to other artists
- Copywriting and protecting yourself and your work.
- Publishing
- How things have changed







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On Friday evening there will be an Open-Mic Welcome Jam, also open to the public for free, at Picaroons Roundhouse Brewery in Fredericton North from 7pm until 10pm and hosted by Steve Lyons and myself with backup musicians! So come on down and sing a song, we will try to accommodate everyone for at least 1 number maybe more depending on the crowd! Information is on the poster below!



Open to the Public Welcome Jam Friday October 18th 7PM-10PM

Come sing and play music with us!!

Share your talent and share the stage!! We would love to see and hear you!!

Join Hall of Famer's...Dwane Drost, Brent Buchanan, Steve Lyons, Reg Gallant, Gary & Tammy Morris, Ivan and Vivian Hicks, New Inductees and ..Many, Many more!!

Or just sit back and enjoy the music!!

All Welcome!!







Food

Live at

Picaroons Roundhouse

912 Union Street Fredericton, NB (506) 457-9082 or email info@picaroons.ca

Cover



Food Available

Most of these events are free to attend with the exception of our inaugural songwriter's seminar and songwriter's circle! We are excited to be able to offer our first ever seminar on Thursday October 17th at 3 pm featuring Joan Kennedy! Joan will talk about the ABCs of songwriting from creation, structure, bringing your song to life, right to the business end of songwriting which involves topics such as promotion, copywriting, pitching the songs to an artist or recording company etc., as well as answer any questions you will have.

Following a short supper break our second event will take place in the same area featuring 5 well known songwriters from New Brunswick who will talk about some of their songs and what the inspiration was, how the song came about, sing some of their compositions, as well as answer questions. Both events are open to everyone so please pass on the information you see above!! Tickets can be purchased at the Fredericton Motor Inn at the front desk.

The Induction Ceremony, Gala, and all the events are a celebration of our 5 new inductees for this year who are as follows:

- Brian Mallery (Cap Pele)
- Jason Barry (Miramichi)
- Rik Reese (Campbellton/Moncton)
- Phil McGeehan (Stanley)
- Jocelyn McNeill (Minto)

We are proud of their accomplishments in the music industry, and we welcome them to the New Brunswick Country Music Hall of Fame!

I would like to remind everyone that the Hall of Fame is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the preservation and recognition of country music and New Brunswick's country music artists. We rely solely on sponsorship and donations as well as our various fundraising efforts which include our 50/50 raffle held monthly.

I would encourage you all to support the Hall by purchasing tickets as this helps with our various projects which we are taking on such as youth development and mentoring, support and seminars in the school system (forthcoming), as well as the daily management and operation of the office and Hall.

And with that congratulations to our September 50/50 draw winner:

Congratulations to E. WALL

You are the winner of \$105.00 from our September draw. We will be contacting you by email & phone.



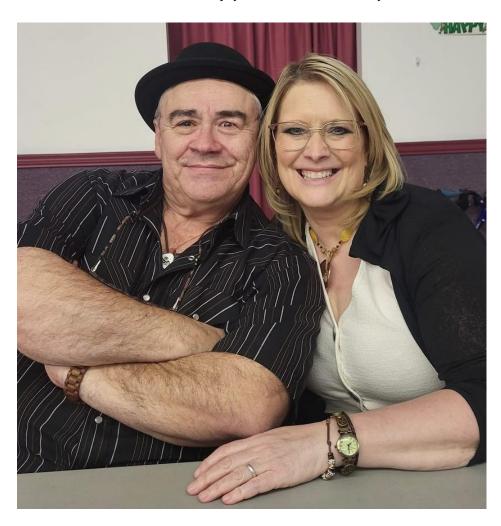
Our 50/50 raffle draw is back for the month of October and you can participate through the Hall of Fame website. Please consider buying tickets to help support the Hall with programs and projects and maybe win a few bucks too! The more tickets we sell the larger the pot, so please support your Hall of Fame and pass the word on to friends and family too!



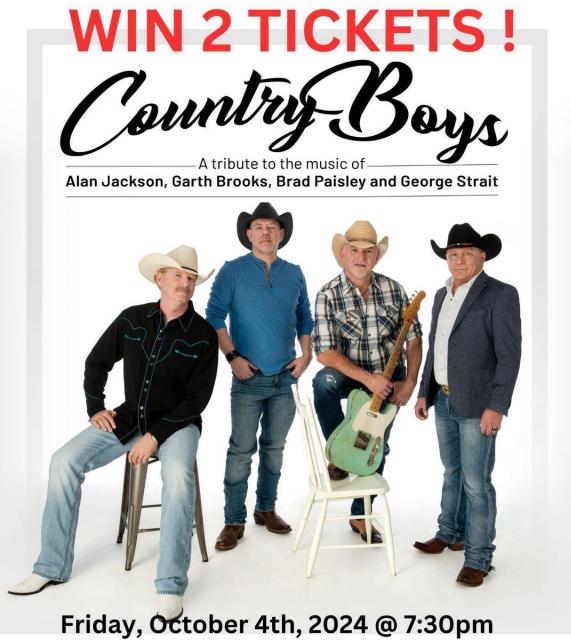
And speaking of tickets we are once again selling tickets on a beautiful Yamaha FG800 acoustic guitar with gig bag, strap, and picks courtesy of Tony's Music Box in Fredericton and Yamaha Canada. The tickets are available through the Hall of Fame and at Hall of Fame concerts; they will also be at the Gala.

Moving on to some other news now, Hall Vice-President Gary Morris will be hosting a new Valley Music Show on Rogers TV. This show will feature fiddler Johnny Richard, Maurice Fleming (sax and Piano), a young group called the 'Retro Rockets'. This young group made up of kids in grades 9 and 10, they're very good and this feature ties in well to our ongoing support of our youth and their music. Derek Knowles will sing 2-3 tunes and will give a shout out for the Hall of Fame and our upcoming celebration. The show is taped and played on Rogers TV and is sponsored by the Hall of Fame! Derek, Johnny, Gary, Tammy, and Maurice are all Hall of Famers, be sure to check Rogers cable for airtimes!

Anna Thibodeau and I will be at the Minto Seniors Hall on October 4 from 8pm to 11pm! All are welcome so come on out and enjoy some music and say Hi!



New Brunswick super group 'Country Boys' are playing in Riverview at the Arts Center on October 4. Made up of seasoned New Brunswick country music artists they are taking their tribute show to Alan Jackson, George Strait, Garth Brooks and Brad Paisley on the road for a series of concerts including Fredericton and Saint John, be sure to check them out!



RIVERVIEW ARTS CENTRE

Tickets: 506-852-7189 riverviewartscentre.ca

Hall member Steve Lyons and his singing partner Anna Marie Burke Golding will be entertaining in Oromocto at the Legion Branch 93 on Sunday October 6 from 2pm to 5pm!



Shane Douthwright and his band will be performing on October 12 in Alma for a kitchen style party in conjunction with the Alma fleet launch.



On a sadder note, country music legendary songwriter, singer and actor Kris Kristofferson has passed at the age of 88 peacefully at his home in Hawaii. His contributions to the country music genre are enormous and he will be missed.



I don't have an upcoming young artist to feature this month as I wanted to concentrate on the Gala and feature a few other things that are happening in October but the segment will return in November, along with a recap of what happened at the Gala and events for the month of November.

Before I wrap this month's column up, I would like to ask you to support our local radio stations playing New Brunswick artists particularly Boon Country (Miramichi) and Mark Downey on the Sunday Night Jamboree (Charlotte County) as well as Pure Country Radio in the Fredericton area (Brent Buchanan) thank you all for your support!

As always, please remember to send me any information you would like me to pass along before the last week of the month previous to the column coming out and I will post it for you!

Well folks I think that is about it for now, still have a lot of 'T's to cross and 'I's to dot before October 19, but I hope to see you at the Gala, it's gonna be a good one!

Until November's column, take care, support local live music, as Aubrey Hanson would say 'Keep on the sunny side' and as always...

Keep it country!



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