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2022 AWARDS VOTING
CRITERIA & NOMINATIONS
FORMS

Effective for the 42nd annual Tejano Music Awards

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June 20th, 2022

Greetings,

It is our pleasure to once again announce the beginning of the annual Tejano Music Awards nominations process. Please find the specific guidelines and nomination forms in this package for 2022.

The eligibility period for the 42nd annual Tejano Music Awards is from January 1st, 2021 through December 31st, 2021. Only material released during the eligibility period will qualify. Do not submit material released from January 2020 through December 2020, previously submitted material from January 2019 through December 2019, the 39th annual Tejano Music Awards, or prior. One exception for this year will be single releases. For the 42nd annual Tejano Music Awards, singles released in 2020, or a single from a 2022 CD released in 2021 will qualify for the Song of the Year category only (submitted songs will not qualify for future awards). The Entertainer of the Year winner will be selected by a special committee appointed by the board of directors. Qualifying Tejano Norteño submissions will be considered to qualify in the Tejano or Conjunto Album of the Year category on a case-by-case basis.

When submitting your nomination forms, please include two (2) CD's (failure to submit your CD's will disqualify your entry) and/or if using Music Digital Download, you must provide us with entire digital album plus (jpeg) of album artwork (front, middle, and back cover) with copyright year and copy of release date. We must be able to verify that the CD was actually released within the qualifying period.

Send your CD's and a brief biography to:

TTMA
P.O. Box 761358
San Antonio, TX 78245

NOTE: Do not send oversized packages or packages with incorrect postage.

If using Music Digital Download, use our WeTransfer account:

<https://tejanomusicawards.com/artist-media-uploads>

Please read the guidelines carefully and review any changes that may have been made to the criteria, categories, and/or voting process. Failure to follow these instructions prolongs the vetting process and may disqualify you from participating. If you have any questions, please send an email to: Admin@tejanomusicawards.com or BinoG@tejanomusicawards.com

Good luck to everyone.

Frank H. Salazar,
Vice-president,

NOTE: The TTMA board of directors reserves the right to make changes as needed to the criteria, categories, nominations process, and/or voting process presented in this document.

Specific Guidelines

Record companies, group managers, artists, and/or representatives must submit entries eligible for the current period. The eligibility period for the 42nd annual Tejano Music Awards is from January 1st, 2021 through December 31st, 2021.

Only material released during the eligibility period will qualify. An exception will be for single releases only.

Group managers and/or representatives must have full authority to act on behalf of the record label or artist.

A verification form must be signed by a representative authorized to nominate. Verification forms must be submitted with nomination(s) or nomination(s) will not be considered for the current eligibility period. Only official Tejano Music Awards forms completed by the artist's or group's authorized representative(s) will be considered.

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ANNUAL TEJANO MUSIC AWARDS

San Antonio, Texas

OVERVIEW

Since 1980, the Tejano Music Awards and various other special events produced by Texas Talent Musicians Association (TTMA) have provided a forum to create greater awareness and appreciation for Tejano music. This music format has been a tradition in the state of Texas and has transcended regional and cultural boundaries throughout the United States, as well as internationally.

TTMA is committed to showcasing the best Tejano recording artists to the world.

MISSION STATEMENT

Texas Talent Musicians Association (TTMA) is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote professional excellence; a better understanding and greater appreciation for Tejano music; and to provide a public forum for songwriters, performers and musicians in order to recognize their artistic efforts and achievements through the annual Tejano Music Awards and related events.



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TMA VOTING PHASES

VOTING PROCESS FOR GENERAL BALLOT

PHASE I Nominations

Originate from record companies, group managers, artists, and/or representatives. TTMA does not nominate any artist; it is the sole responsibility of the artist, record label or management. Nominees may begin submitting qualified materials no earlier than Monday, June 20, 2022. Qualified materials will be accepted until midnight on Sunday, July 31, 2022. TTMA reviews and submits nominations to the Nominating and Screening Committee for verification and eligibility.

PHASE II Industry Voting

Qualified nominees are placed on the Industry Ballot, and ballot is placed on the TTMA web site for voting by qualifying industry voters. In this phase, the top twelve (12) nominees in each category will be selected. Only record companies, group managers, artists, and/or representatives are allowed to vote in this phase. Online voting period begins Monday, August 21, 2022 and ends Sunday, September 18, 2022. Mail-in ballots (if downloaded) must be postmarked, mailed, and received by TTMA no later than midnight on Friday September 16, 2022. CPA will tabulate ballots and submit the top twelve (12) nominees in each category to TTMA.

PHASE III Official General Public Voting

The top twelve (12) nominees will be placed on the TTMA website by category beginning Monday, October 3, 2022 for voting by Tejano Music Fans. The official general public voting period ends midnight Sunday November 6, 2022. CPA returns Top five (5) nominees by category to TTMA.

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GENERAL BALLOT and INDUSTRY

Timeline

- June 20th, 2022 Record companies, group managers, artists, and representatives provide a list of eligible artists and their materials.
- July 31st, 2022 Qualifying materials are due by midnight on Sunday, July 31st, 2022 (online). Mailed-in materials must be sent to the TTMA P.O. Box and must be postmarked no later than midnight on Friday, July 29th, 2022. Nomination submissions may be made online at www.tejanomusicawards.com by the due date. Two (2) CD's or 2 USB thumb drives with the copyright year must be submitted to be considered (USB is not returnable). Music files must be in MP3 format. If using Music Digital Download, you must provide us with the entire digital album plus (jpeg) of album artwork (front, middle, and back cover) with copyright year and copy of release date. We must be able to verify that the CD was actually released within the qualifying period. Digital download link is: <https://tejanomusicawards.com/artist-media-uploads>
- Aug 3th, 2022 TTMA compiles a catalog of eligible material.
- Aug 8th, 2022 The Nominating and Screening Committee meets to review nominations and verify eligibility. Staff will call record labels to provide any additional documentation and/or clarification if required.
- August 21st, 2022 Industry voting commences to select the top twelve (12) nominees for each category. Voting will occur online on the Tejano Music Awards website. This is only for record companies, group managers, artists, and/or representatives. **Industry voters**, please look over each category carefully before voting. If an artist has wrongfully submitted in ANY category, please inform us during the industry voting phase at Admin@tejanomusicawards.com. TTMA will conduct an investigation to determine the artist's eligibility, and if the artist is considered ineligible, TTMA will remove that artist from the voting process.
- THIS IS NOT FOR THE PUBLIC VIEWING!**
- Sept. 18th, 2022 Industry online ballots are due and must be received by CPA no later than midnight on Sunday, September 18, 2022.

- Oct 3rd, 2022 General public voting commences for qualified Tejano Fans. Top twelve (12) nominees' ballots in each category are placed on TTMA web site for online voting. www.TejanoMusicAwards.com
- Nov 6th, 2022 Voting will end at midnight on Sunday, November 6, 2022.
- Nov 11th, 2022 CPA's tabulations delivered to TTMA. Top 5 Nominees in each category will be announced online.. Winners will be announced at the 42nd annual Tejano Music Awards on Saturday November 26th, 2022, at Tech Port San Antonio.



42nd Annual Tejano Music Awards NOMINATIONS, OFFICIAL VOTING, and CATEGORIES

A. NOMINATIONS

Originate from record companies, group managers, artists, and/or representative. TTMA reviews and submits nominations list to the Nominating and Screening Committee for verification and eligibility. **TTMA does not nominate any artist. This is solely the responsibility of the record companies, group managers, artists, and/or representative. Two CD's or USB's must be submitted with the nomination(s) for verification of eligibility or Music Digital Download to our WeTransfer Account. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

B. OFFICIAL VOTING

Master list of nominations is submitted by the record companies, group managers, artists, and/or the representative and is placed on the TTMA web site for the industry to select the top twelve (12) nominees. The top twelve (12) nominees are then placed on the TTMA web site for the general public to vote for the top five (5) nominees in each category.

C. QUALIFYING PERIOD

All material must have been released in the qualifying period of January 1st, 2021 through December 31st, 2021. In all categories, artist must have actively performed within the eligibility period.

Albums must be released during the eligibility period to be eligible in every category with the exception of Song of the Year. Each category must have at least five (5) eligible nominations to be considered as a viable category.

* If the number of submissions is less than five (5) in any category, TTMA board of directors will meet for a board vote to consider keeping the category valid for that award year.

NOTE: *The TTMA board of directors reserves the right to make changes as needed to the criteria, categories, nominations process, or voting process presented in this document.*

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Attestation Form

VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

Entry Deadline: **Sunday, July 3rd, 2022**

We hereby submit the following recording as our official entry into the 42nd annual Tejano Music Awards nomination and voting process.

CD TITLE:

ARTIST / GROUP:

RELEASE DATE (Street
Date):

RECORD LABEL:

ENTRY FORM AND CD MUST BE SUBMITTED TO TTMA BY **Sunday, July 3rd, 2022**

We attest that the above recording has been released within the TTMA eligibility period of January 1st, 2021, through December 31st, 2021, and there are no restrictions, legal or otherwise, that prevent this recording from being included on the Industry and/or General Ballot. **Artist must have actively performed nominated songs or albums within the eligibility period.**

COMPLIANCE: We support and encourage the integrity and professionalism of the Tejano Music Industry. It is understood that submitting ineligible material will immediately disqualify the entry. **Further, in order to ensure fairness for all, an artist and record company that knowingly submits ineligible material shall come under review and may be barred from participating in the annual Tejano Music Awards for this year (2022) and 2023.**

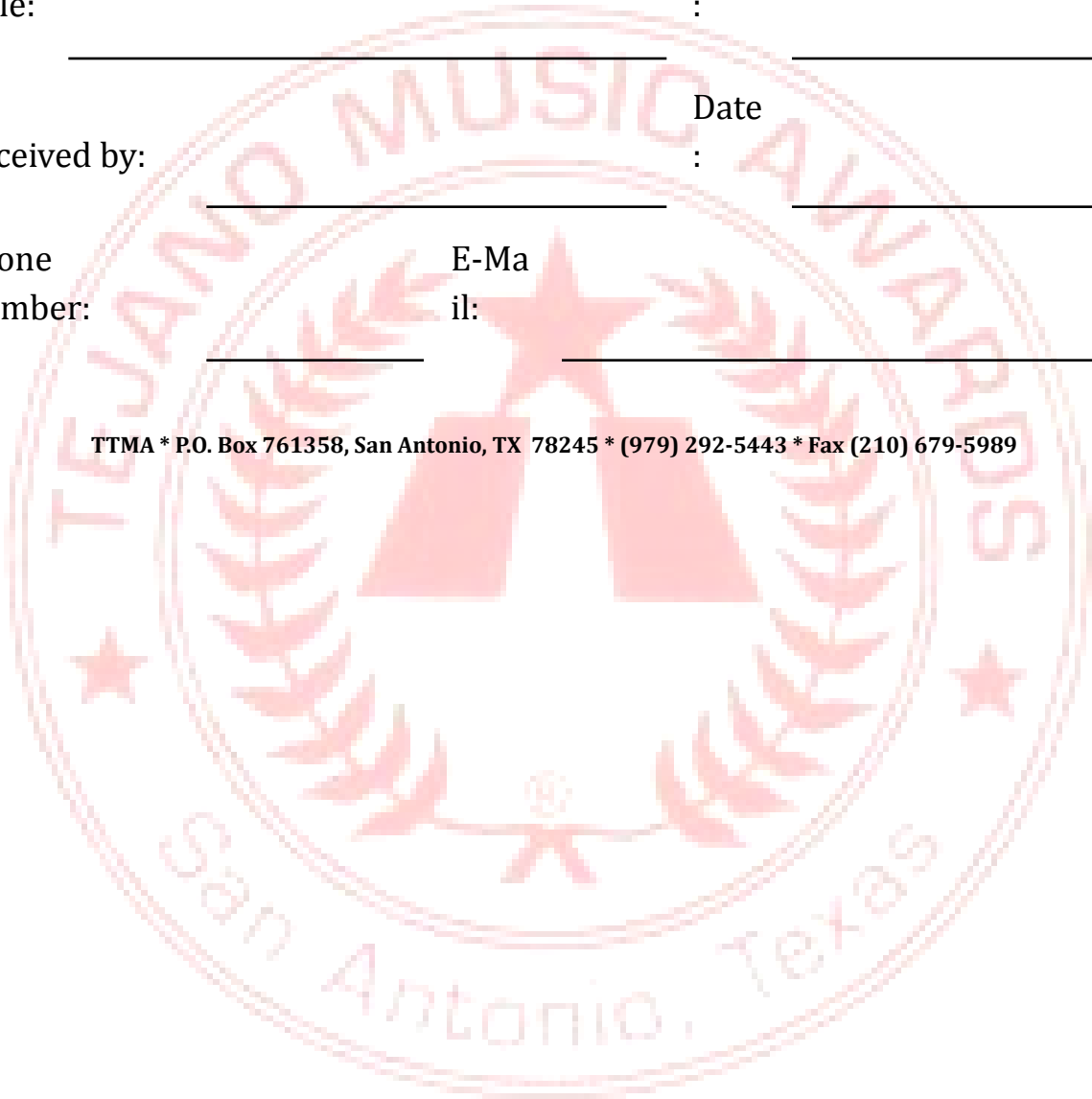
AGREED: _____

Record Label
Representative:

Title: _____ Date _____
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Received by: _____ Date _____
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Phone Number: _____ E-Mail: _____
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“SONG OF THE YEAR” CRITERIA

(New artists do NOT qualify for this category)

- A. Single must have been released in 2020 or 2022 but must be included in a CD released during the eligibility period of January 1st, 2020, through December 31st, 2020, or a single released in 2021 from a 2022 CD. This year, digital releases released during the eligible periods mentioned above will qualify in this category only. Submitted singles will not qualify for any future Tejano Music Awards.
- B. Singles released prior to the CD release will be eligible and will only qualify in the “Song of the Year” category. CD must be released during the eligibility period, which is based on single’s or CD’s release date per criteria above.

Singles released in a compilation CD (i.e. *The Best of*) are eligible if the single was not previously released or submitted. Artists or groups who nominate an eligible artist or group in the Best New Artist categories do not qualify in this or any other category with the exception of the Collaboration of the Year category.

- C. Songs re-released are not eligible if the song was previously submitted for consideration. Songs that received minimal airplay will be considered on a case-by-case basis as decided by the Nominating and Screening Committee.
- D. Only two (2) singles from any album may be nominated during the eligibility period. If both singles become top qualified nominees, the record label and artist will select one song as a finalist in order to avoid splitting an artist’s vote as it works against the artist. Artist or group may only have one single or track nominated in this category.

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SINGLE OF THE YEAR CRITERIA

(New Artist Do NOT Qualify for this Category)

To qualify in the “Single of the Year” category, single must have been released during the eligibility period and be nominated by the deadline date. This category is for individual tracks only and includes digital and physical releases. Date of release will be based on submission to either CD Baby or iTunes and verified by the nominating and screening committee. For digital singles, please submit either a CD or USB thumb drive **(USB thumb drives will not be returned)**. Single must have made the Top 25 during the qualifying period. Top 25 will be based on the following stations only:

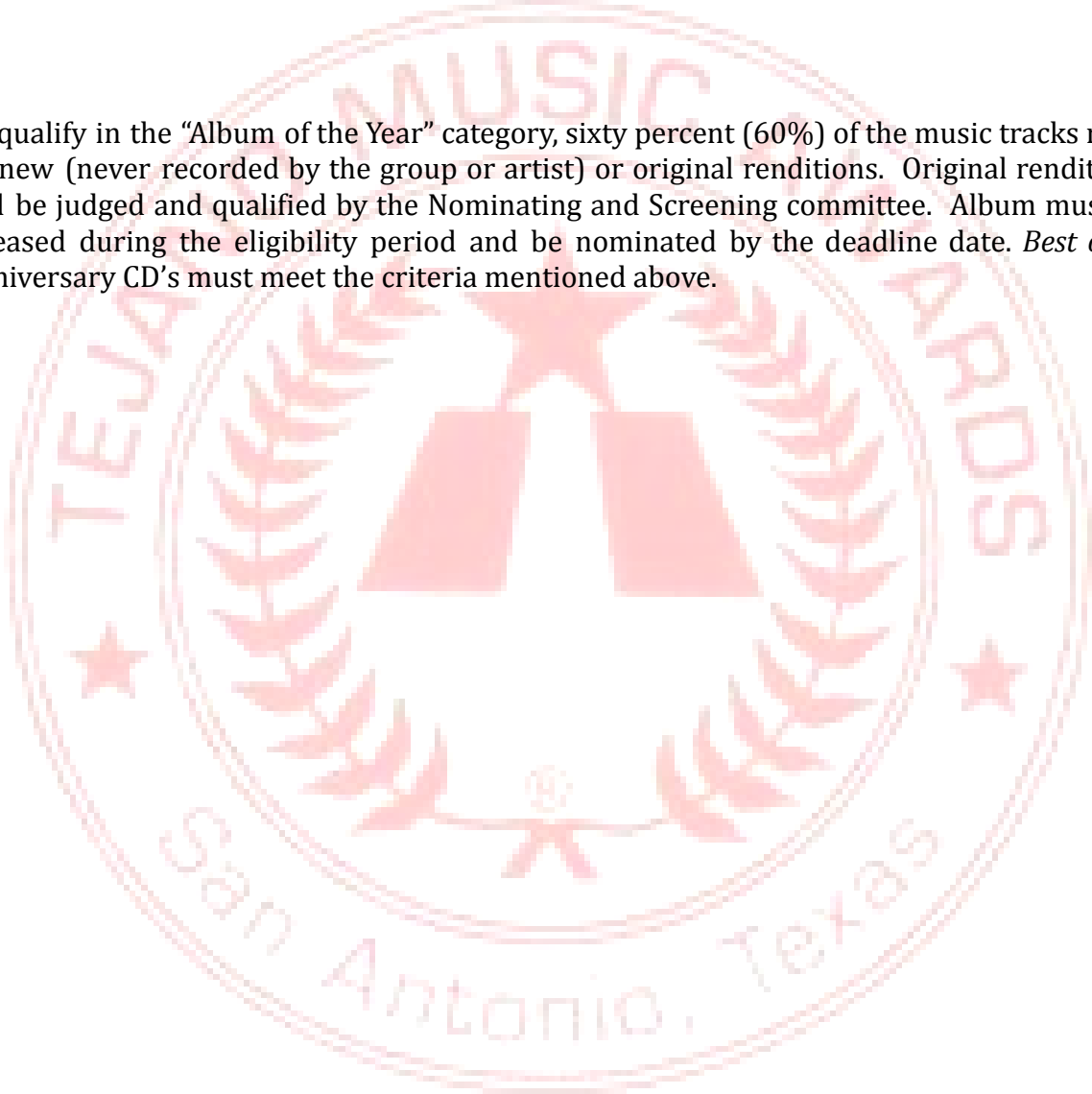
- KLEY 95.7FM– San Antonio
- KLMO 98.9FM– San Antonio
- KLUB 106.9FM– Victoria
- KESO– Super Tejano 102.1 – McAllen
- KMVK– HD2 Fierro 107.5 – Dallas
- KQTC 99.5FM– San Angelo
- KSAB 99.9FM– Corpus Christi
- KQXT 106.5FM Magic – Lubbock
- KBGT 93.3FM La Voz- Abilene
- BNET Radio/Tejano
- HotTejano.com
- ExremeTejano.com

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ALBUM OF THE YEAR CRITERIA

(New Artist Do NOT Qualify for this Category)

To qualify in the “Album of the Year” category, sixty percent (60%) of the music tracks must be new (never recorded by the group or artist) or original renditions. Original renditions will be judged and qualified by the Nominating and Screening committee. Album must be released during the eligibility period and be nominated by the deadline date. *Best of or Anniversary CD’s* must meet the criteria mentioned above.



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SONG OF THE YEAR

Maximum two eligible entries per Artist/Group

Singles are eligible if the album was released during the eligibility period. If the singles were released prior to the album's eligibility period, single(s) must have not been previously submitted for nomination.

(New Artist Do NOT Qualify for this Category)

Eligible Material - Artist / Group

ARTIST / GROUP:

Songwriter (1):

(Must be filled out)

Single / Track

Title:

Release Date:

Album Title:

Release Date:

Songwriter (2):

Single / Track

Title:

Release Date:

Album Title:

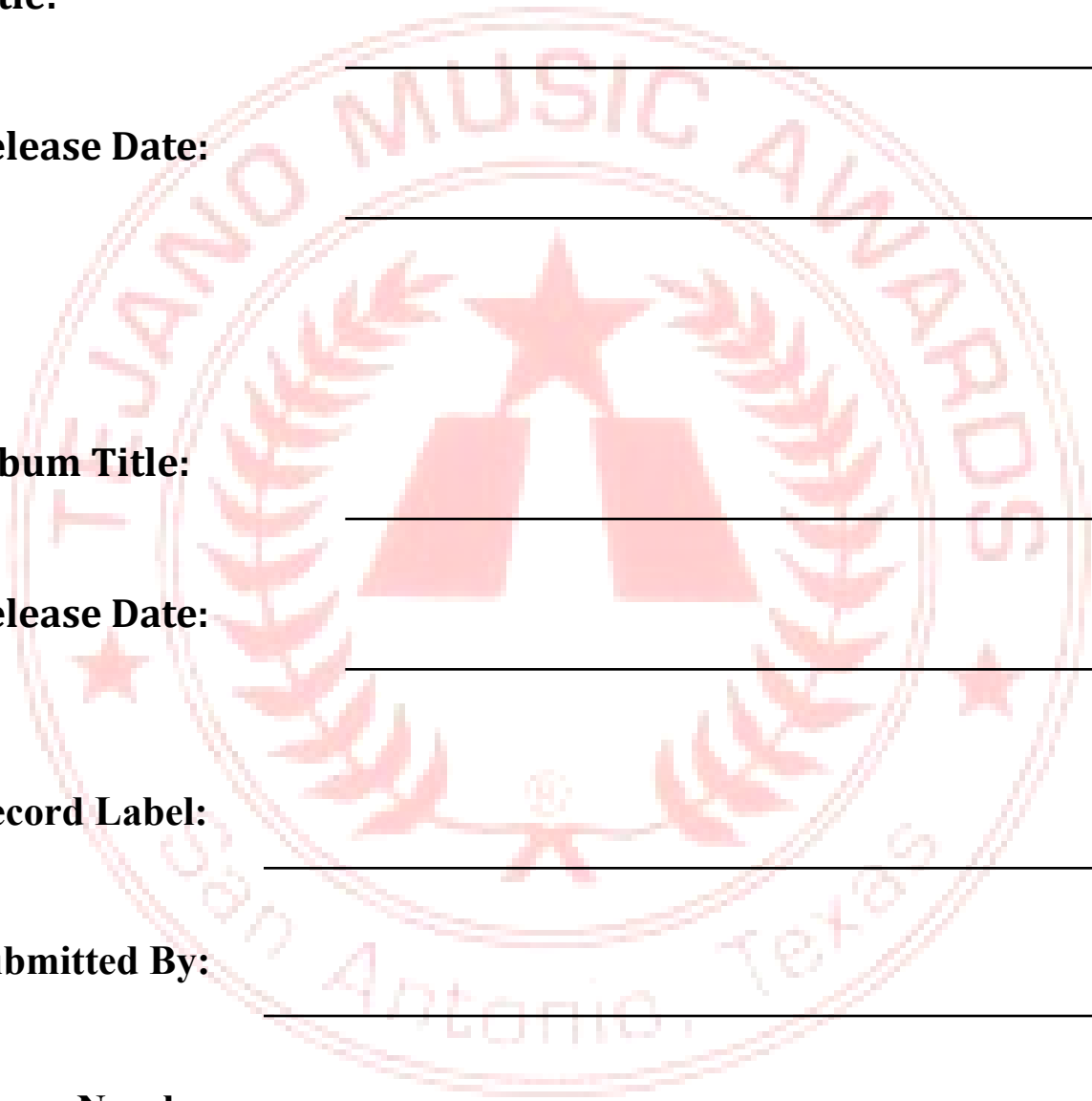
Release Date:

Record Label:

Submitted By:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:





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MALE / FEMALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR

CATEGORIES

(New Artists Do NOT Qualify for this Category)

Eligible Material

Artist
:

Album
Title:

Release
Date:

(Month / Day / Year)

Enter the above recording artist in only one of the categories listed below:

Male Vocalist of the Year

Female Vocalist of the Year

Record Label:

Submitted By:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

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ALBUM OF THE YEAR CATEGORIES

(New Artist Do NOT Qualify for this Category)

Eligible Material

Artist
:

Album
Title:

Release
Date:

(Month / Day / Year)

Enter the above recording in only **one** of the categories listed below.

() Album of the Year (Tejano)

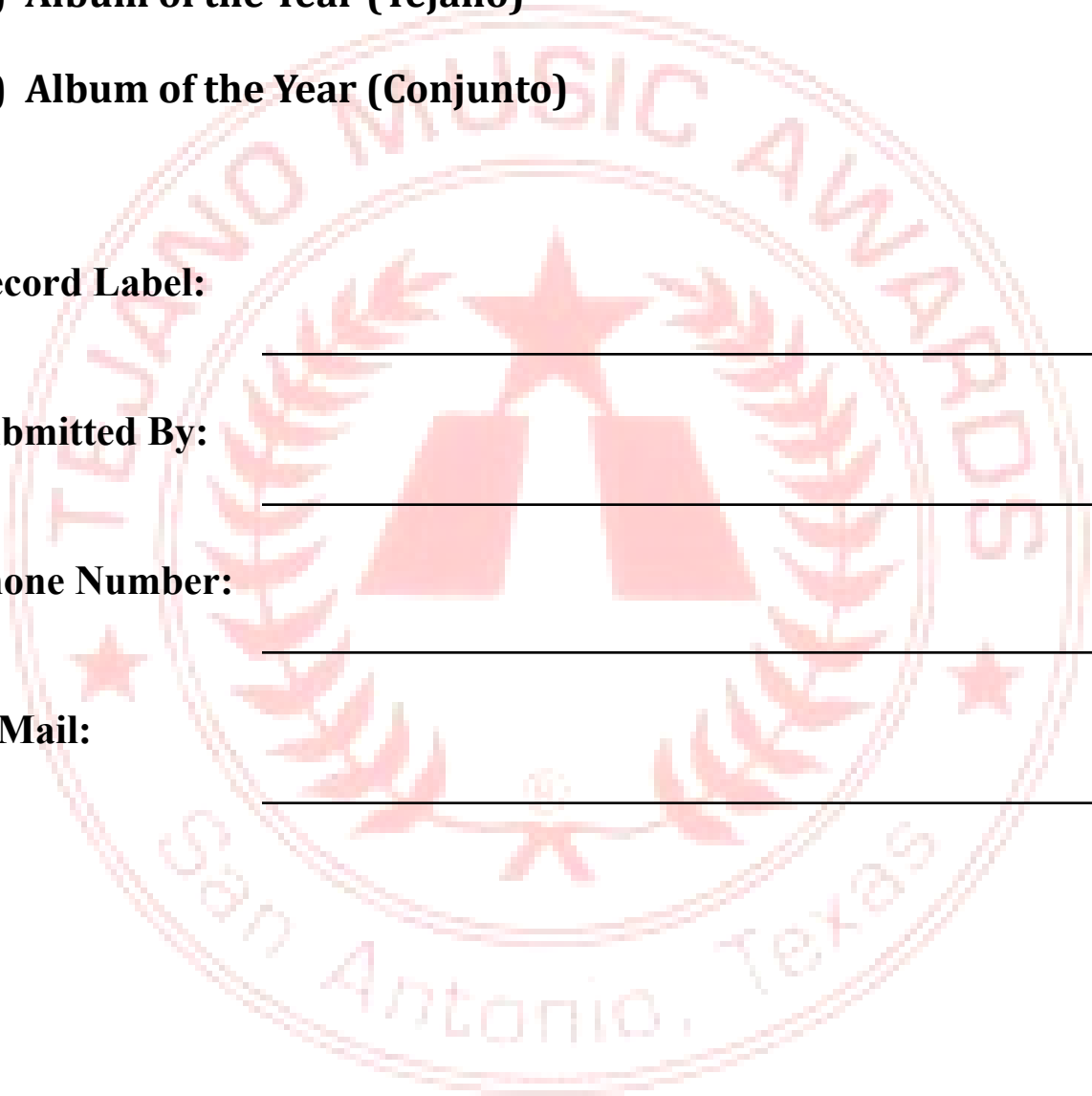
() Album of the Year (Conjunto)

Record Label:

Submitted By:

Phone Number:

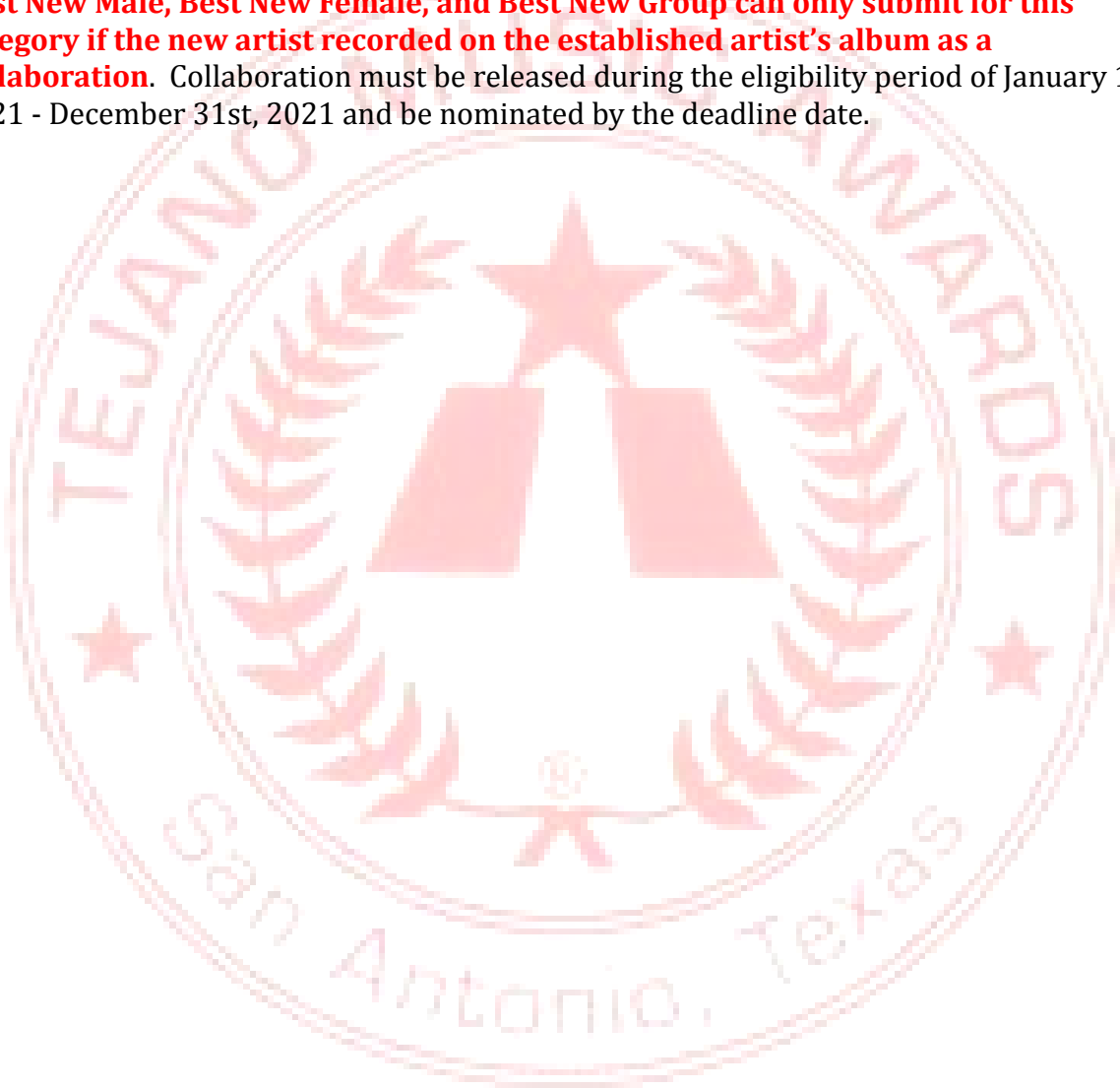
E-Mail:



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BEST COLLABORATION CRITERIA

“Best Collaboration of the Year” category submissions will be selected from the “Album of the Year - Tejano” category. Collaborations will include all established artists and groups. **Best New Male, Best New Female, and Best New Group can only submit for this category if the new artist recorded on the established artist’s album as a collaboration.** Collaboration must be released during the eligibility period of January 1st, 2021 - December 31st, 2021 and be nominated by the deadline date.



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BEST COLLABORATION

Eligible Artist / Material

**Artist /
Group:**

**Album
Title:**

**Release
Date:**

(Month / Day / Year)

Discography:

Release Date:

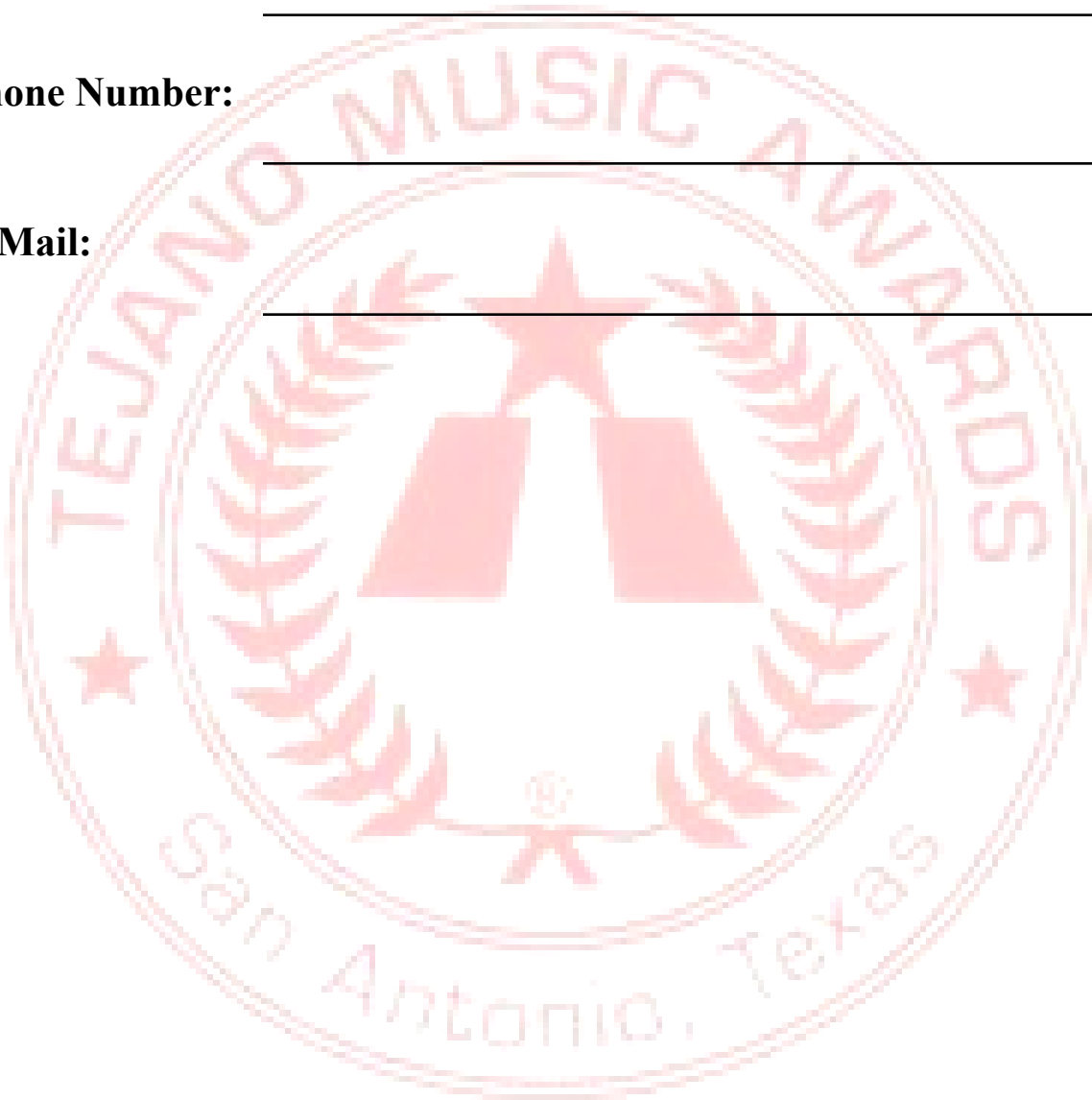
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Record Label:

Submitted By:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:



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BEST NEW ARTIST

MALE, FEMALE, AND GROUP CRITERIA

Best New Artists must have recorded no more than 3 Full CD's (10+ songs are considered to be a Full CD) to qualify for this category. Artists and groups in this category will not be able to nominate in any other category with the exception of the Collaboration of the Year category only if the new artist recorded on the established artist's album as a collaboration. Once an artist/group wins in one of the following categories, they will no longer qualify or be eligible in the Best New Artist Male, Female, or Group categories. The following are the Best New Artist categories.

- Best New Artist - Male
- Best New Artist - Female
- Best New Artist - Group

After verification of eligible nominees by Nominating and Screening Committee, nominees will be placed on the Official Artists' Voting Ballot.

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BEST NEW ARTIST - MALE

Eligible Artist / Material

Artist / Group:

Album
Title:

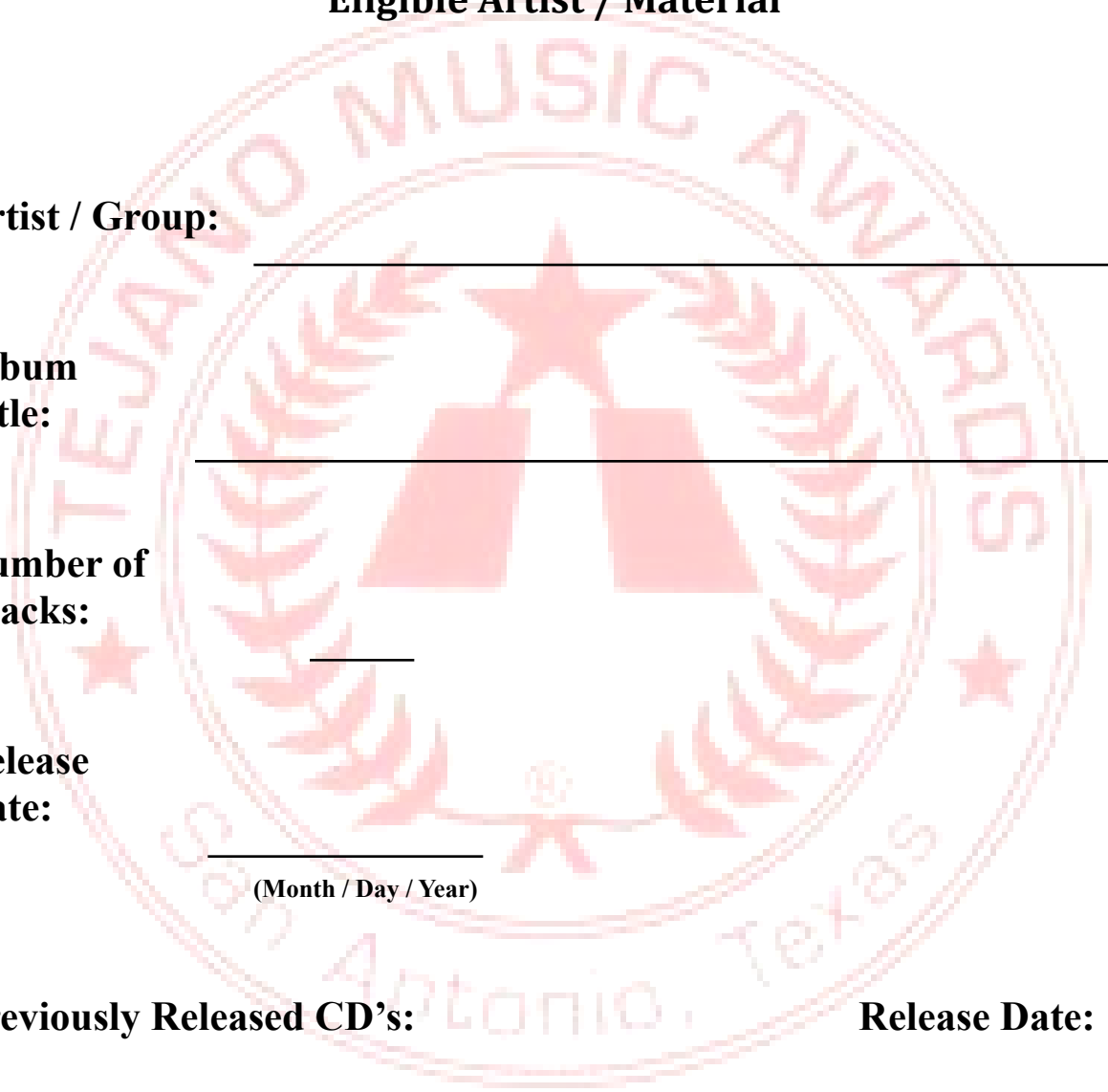
Number of
Tracks:

Release
Date:

(Month / Day / Year)

Previously Released CD's:

Release Date:



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Record Label:

Submitted By:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

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BEST NEW ARTIST - FEMALE

Eligible Artist / Material

Artist / Group: _____

Album Title: _____ **Number of Tracks:** _____

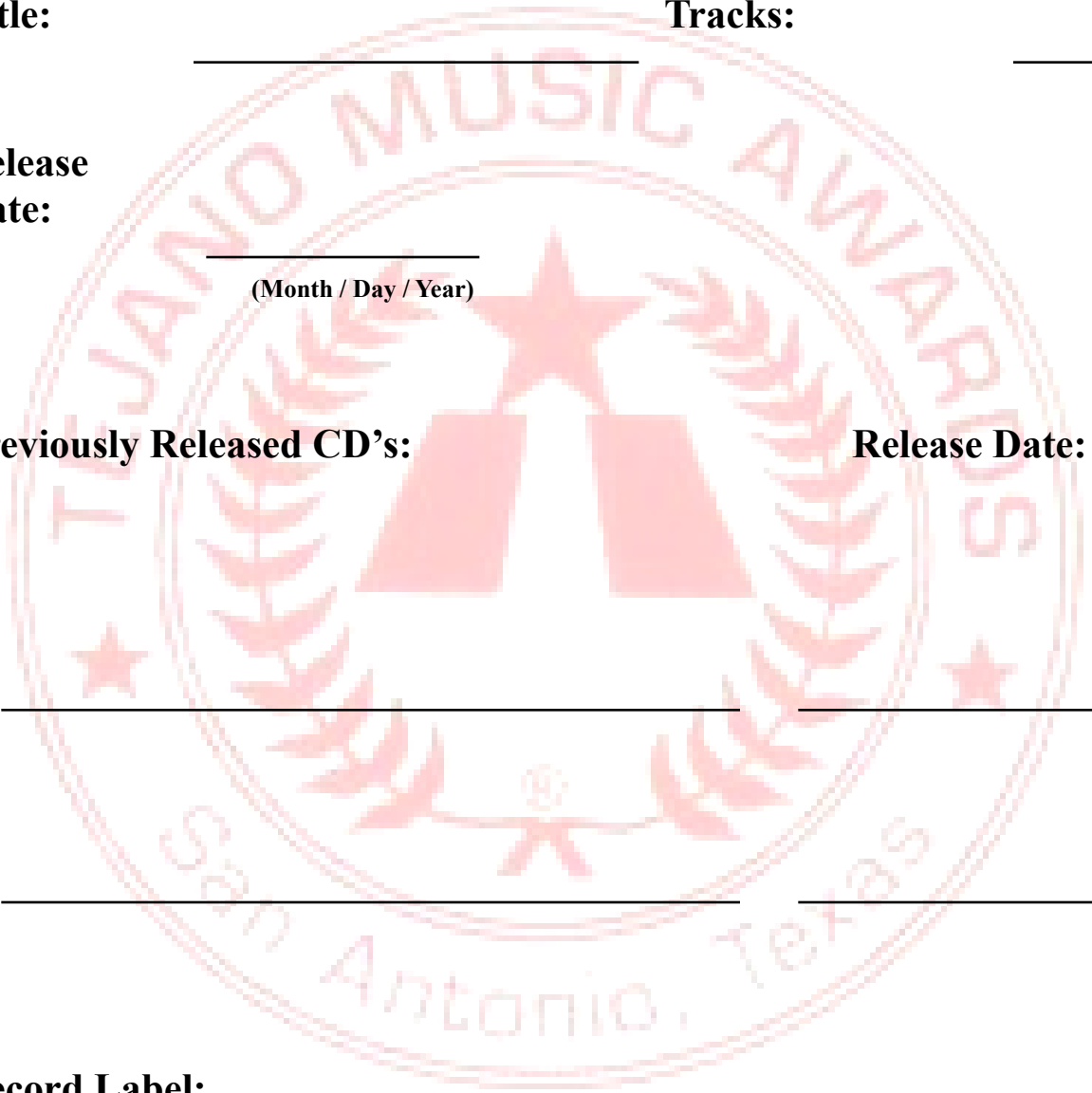
Release Date: _____
(Month / Day / Year)

Previously Released CD's: _____ **Release Date:** _____

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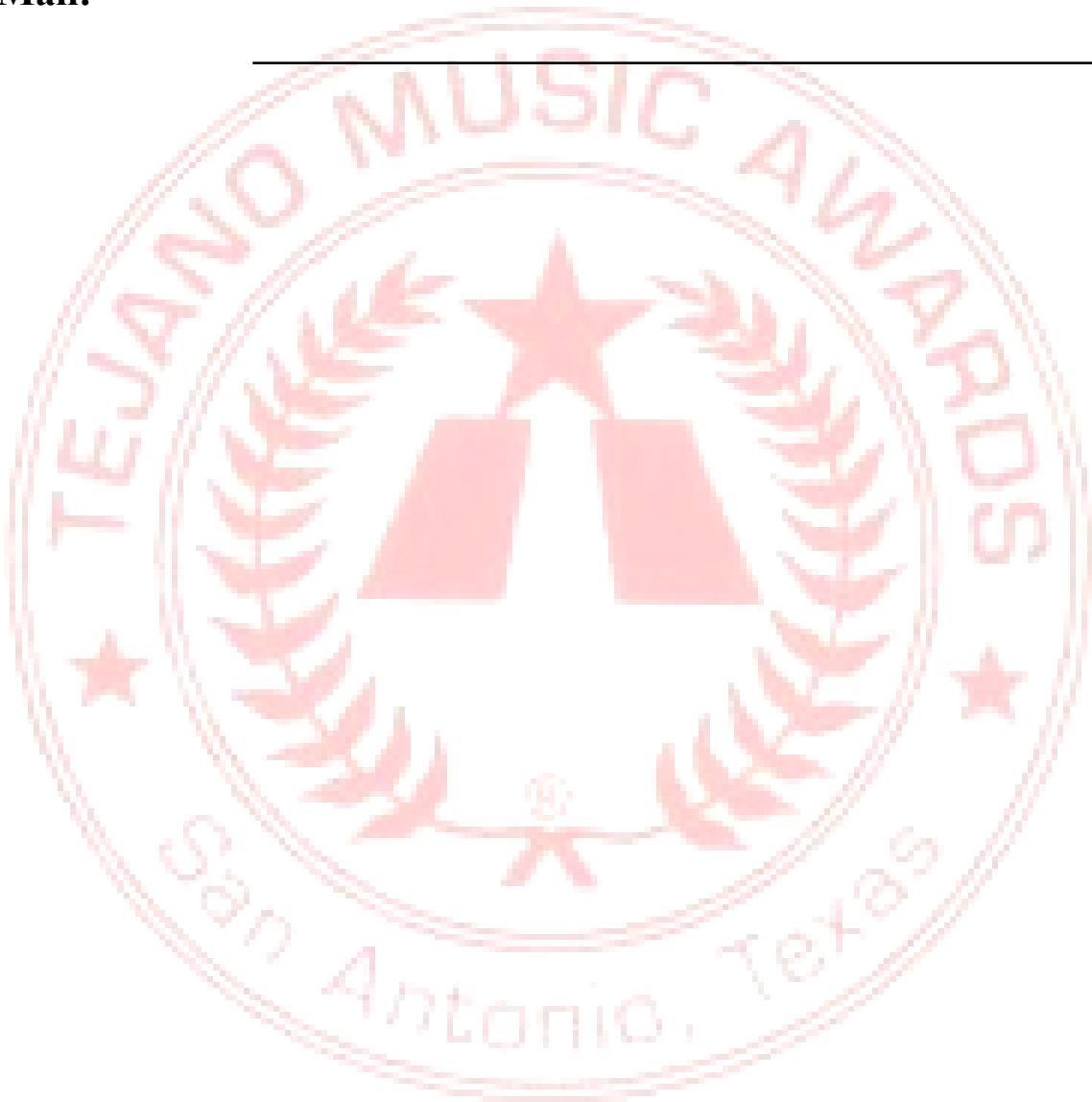
Record Label: _____



Phone

Number:

E-Mail:



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BEST NEW ARTIST - GROUP

Eligible Artist / Material

Artist / Group:

Album
Title:

Number of
Tracks:

Release
Date:

(Month / Day / Year)

Previously Released CD's:

Release Date:

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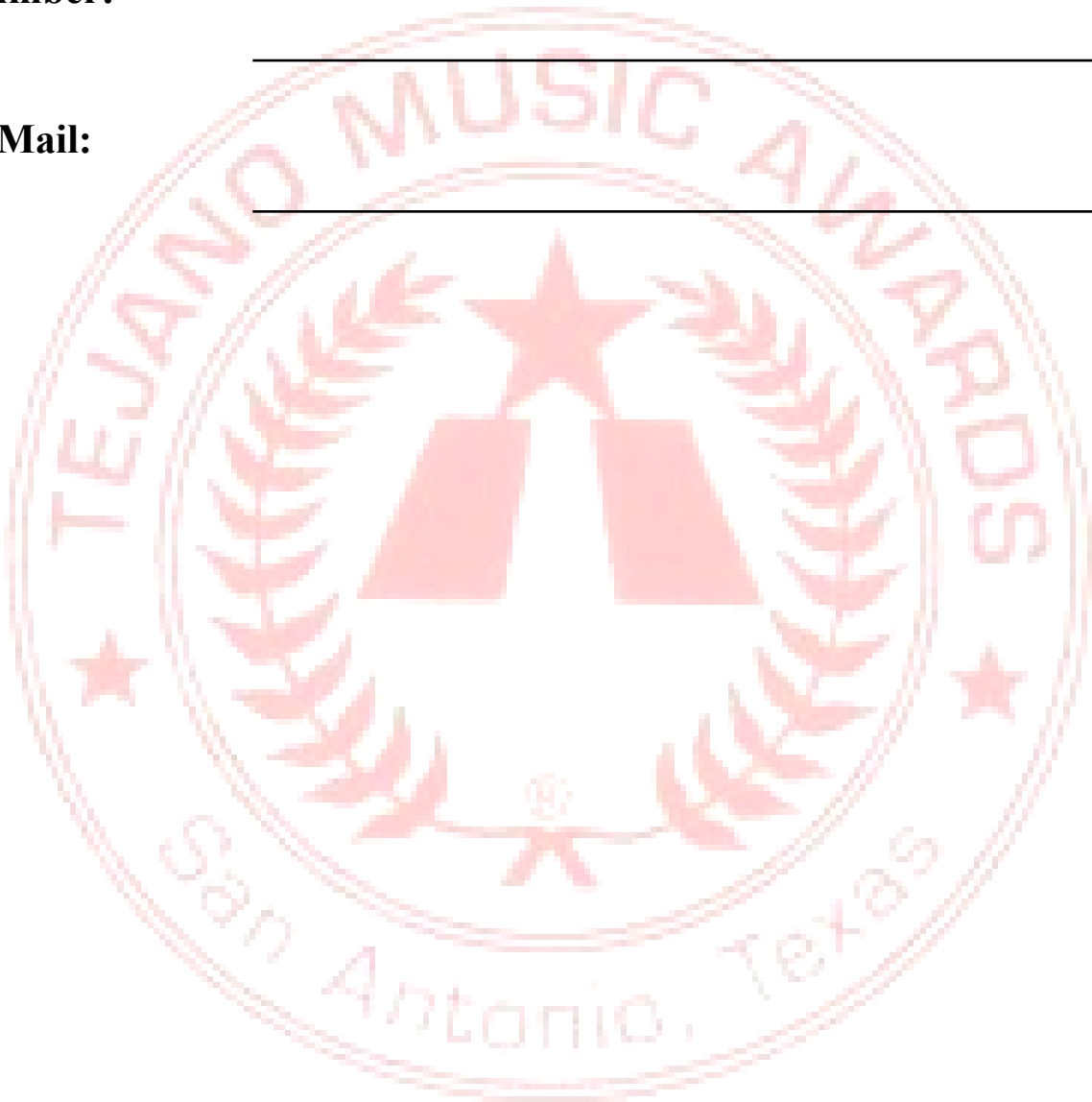
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Record Label:

Phone

Number:

E-Mail:



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VIDEO of the Year

Eligible Artist / Material

Artist / Group:

Video Title:

Release Date:

(Month / Day / Year)

Submitted By:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

