



Words to Music: The Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame **nominated for five Gemini Awards**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – Toronto – August 28, 2007 – *Words to Music: The Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame*, one-hour special aired on CBC TV featuring highlights from the 4th Annual CSHF Gala, has been nominated for a total of five Gemini Awards. The awards will be handed out October 17, 2007 in Toronto.

For the second year running, the show received two nominations in the 'Best Performance or Host in a Variety Program or Series' category. Selected this year were Measha Brueggergosman's show-stopping performance of Joni Mitchell's *Both Sides Now*, with Musical Director Lou Pomanti and soloist Kevin Breit, and Michael Bubl  and Lou Pomanti for their swinging rendition of Ralph Freed and Burton Lane's *How About You?*

Director Shelagh O'Brien received a nomination for 'Best Direction in a Variety Program or Series', while Ian Dunbar, Peter Campbell, Doug Doctor, Ric Jurgens and Jeff Wolpert are up for 'Best Sound in a Comedy, Variety or Performing Arts Program or Series'. Rounding out the nominations is Peter Faragher for his incredible set design in the 'Best Production Design or Art Direction in a Non-Dramatic Program or Series' category.

"These nominations are so important because apart from acknowledging the incredibly talented artists and creatives who help make the show, they also demonstrate that the CSHF with its broadcast partner CBC is about delivering the highest quality as we celebrate and educate Canadians about our truly amazing songwriting heritage," said CSHF Executive Director Dominic Denny.

The Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame 4th Annual Gala, celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of Canada's popular music songwriters and those who have contributed significantly to their legacy, took place in late January at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre's John Bassett Theatre. To date, the CSHF has inducted 21 songwriters, 84 songs and 11 industry legends.

If you missed the original broadcast, make sure to tune into CMT Canada on Monday, September 10 at 7PM and 11PM (EST) or CBC Television on Tuesday, September 25 at 9PM (EST) for encore broadcasts.

The CSHF 5th Annual Gala will take to the stage on Saturday, March 1. Tickets will go on sale in mid-November following a press conference announcing the 2008 inductees.

About the Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame

The Canadian Songwriters Hall of Fame (CSHF) /Le Panth on des Auteurs et Compositeurs Canadiens is a collaboration of the Canadian Music Publishers Association (CMPA) and the Songwriters Association of Canada (S.A.C.) with the assistance of the Soci t  professionnelle

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