

33rd Eastern Canadian Bluegrass Music Awards **2017 Winners List**

The Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society is pleased to announce the winners for the 33rd Annual Eastern Canada Bluegrass Music Awards:

Banjo Player of the Year: Greg Hamilton (Oxbow Mountain Boys)

Bass Player of the Year: Brian Hazlett (Oxbow Mountain Boys/Shadow River) *MASTER*

Dobro Player of the Year: George Grant *MASTER*

Fiddle Player of the Year: Lucas Munroe (Shadow River) *MASTER*

Guitar Player of the Year: Charlie Bourque (Oxbow Mountain Boys)

Mandolin Player of the Year: Waylon Robichaud (Shadow River)

Male Vocalist of the Year: Trevor Boutilier (Bluegrass Tradition)

Female Vocalist of the Year: Vicki Voutour (Acoustic Heartstrings)

Individual Entertainer of the Year: Brian Hazlett (Oxbow Mountain Boys/Shadow River)

Vocal Group of the Year: Bluegrass Tradition *MASTER*

Gospel Performance of the Year: Janet McGarry & Wildwood

Most Promising Band of the Year: Matt Lunn & Echo Mountain

Band of the Year: Bluegrass Tradition

Recording of the Year: Bluegrass Unit

Composer of the Year: Ryan Dillman

Promoter of the Year: Serge Bernard (PEI)

Emcee of the Year: Brian Hazlett (Oxbow Mountain Boys/Shadow River) *MASTER*

Radio / TV DJ of the Year: Nancy Keddy - Bluegrass Atlantic (CIOE 97.5FM Sackville)

Wilson Moore (Amherst, NS) was presented with a **Service Recognition Award**. 2017 marks his **40th anniversary** as a Radio DJ hosting a Bluegrass Music Show.

Fan of the Year: Robert and Esther LeBlanc (NS)

Participation Award: Truro & Area Bluegrass Music Association

Shirley Smedley Jay (PEI) was presented with a **Lifetime Membership** to the Downeast Bluegrass & Oldtime Music Society for her many contributions to Bluegrass.

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