

Diana Torossian Emerging Songwriter Award

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Terms & Conditions

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Terms & Conditions:

1. The 2026 Diana Torossian Emerging Songwriter Award (**Award**) is jointly organised by Class Action Records Pty Ltd (ABN 24 684 916 989) and DNA Songs Pty Ltd (ABN 58 155 395 734) (**Organisers**). The Award is a game of skill only. Chance plays no part in determining the winners.
2. Entry is open to any person that is a member of APRA and based in Australia. Employees (and their immediate families) of the Organisers are ineligible to enter. Only one entry is permitted per entrant.
3. Entries for the Award must be lodged between 9am (AEST) on 11 May 2026 and 5:30pm (AEST) on 15 June 2026. Late entries will not be accepted.
4. Entries must be lodged via the following online portal, administered by APRA AMCOS: <https://apraamcos.smartygrants.com.au/DTESA26>
5. By lodging an entry for the Award, the entrant:
 - Agrees to be bound by these terms and conditions.
 - Warrants they are an APRA member.
 - Consents to APRA AMCOS providing their entries to the Organisers for the purposes of the Award.
 - Acknowledges that any dealings by APRA AMCOS with their entries will be in accordance with the [APRA AMCOS Privacy Policy](#).
 - Warrants in respect of each song submitted for entry to the Award, that:
 - They hold at least a 25% APRA writer share.
 - If any song is co-written, they have their co-writers' consent to submit the song for the purposes of the Award.
 - They fully own and control all copyright and related rights to the song or have authority to grant these rights for the purposes of the Award.
 - If they are engaged under a publishing or recording agreement, they have obtained the necessary approval to submit the song for the purposes of the Award.
6. Entrants retain all copyright and all other rights controlled by them in songs entered in the Award.
7. Each entry will be judged on its merits by judges appointed by the Organisers. The decisions of the judges with respect to the Award are final and no correspondence will be entered into.
8. There will be one (1) winner, one of the first prize:
 1. First prize will consist of a cash amount of \$3,000 and the following songwriting and industry mentoring sessions (valued at \$20,000):
 - One hour mentoring sessions conducted via Zoom with each of:
 - Sammie Walsh - PR
 - Peter Karpin - A&R
 - Lorrae McKenna - Management/Grants
 - Layne Buckley - Publishing
 - Andi Sherry - Styling
 - One day songwriting sessions (either in person or via Zoom) with each of:
 - DNA

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- Ben Oldland
- Gary Pinto
- Evie Irie
- Andrew Lowden

2.Second prize will consist of a 12-month one-on-one Music Career Coaching program with Lisa Butler of the Australian Songwriters Conference (values at \$6,000).

The Organisers will not cover any associated costs in connection with a winner's enjoyment of the prize.

- 1.The winners will be notified by the Organisers on 31 July 2026.
- 2.All details of an entrant held by the Organisers will be held in accordance with the Australian *Privacy Act 1988*. The entrant, herein, grants the Organisers all rights necessary for the Organisers to use their entry for the purposes of the Award. The Organisers will not, without the entrant's consent, disclose or permit access to the entrant's personal information other than for the purpose of this Award.
- 3.Except as provided by clauses 4 and 5, APRA AMCOS has no affiliation, association or involvement with the Award, which is entirely the responsibility of the Organisers.
- 4.The Organisers or any party acting under the Organisers' direction in accordance with these terms and conditions will not be liable for any loss, damage, payment or expense of any kind or personal injury or other damage suffered or sustained as a result of an entrant or winner participating in the Award, except for any liability that cannot be excluded by law.

I have read and agree to the above Terms & Conditions. *

I agree

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I am applying for: *

- Someone else
 Myself

Your Name *

First Name Last Name

The person writing this application e.g manager (yourself if self managed) etc

Your Contact Number *

If international include code

Your Email *

Must be an email address.

The manager/person completing this form

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Name of Applicant: *

First Name

Last Name

The person this application is for

Band/Artist Name *

Phone Number *

Contact number for the person this application is for

Applicant Email: *

Must be an email address.

Applicant's Manager Name:

(if applicable)

Applicant's Manager Email:

Must be an email address.

(if applicable)

Applicant's Publisher:

(if applicable)

Which of the following best describes the applicant: *

- Woman
- Man
- Non-Binary
- Prefer to self-describe (please describe below)
- Prefer not to say
- Other:

Tick all that apply.

Applicant age

Is the applicant an APRA AMCOS member? *

- Yes
- No

Applicant must be a member to be eligible for this program

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Please provide a short summary bio: *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

What would you do with the prize money to further your songwriting career? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Please provide a link (Dropbox, Google Drive or similar) containing THREE songs that you have written in the last five years.

The songs must have been fully written by the entrant or with a co-writer (minimum co-writing share of 25%).

Link to music: *

Please provide the title and lyrics to each of the three songs included in the link you have supplied above.

Song Title 1: *

Lyrics: *

Song Title 2: *

Lyrics: *

Song Title 3: *

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Lyrics: *

Please provide a link to a hi-res promo image. This will be used for promotional purposes only and is not part of the selection process.

Link to Image *

For questions please contact writer@apra.com.au