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**ABORIGINAL PEOPLES CHOICE MUSIC AWARDS:  
ARTISTS SUBMISSIONS WANTED!**

Winnipeg, Manitoba (June 2, 2010) -- The 5<sup>th</sup> annual **Aboriginal Peoples Choice Music Awards (APCMAs)** are gearing up to take place in Winnipeg on November 5 and 6, 2010. Submissions are wanted by Aboriginal artists from across Canada and North America, and Indigenous artists from around the world.

**ARTISTS INVITED TO SUBMIT FOR APCMA'S**

The APCMAs are part of the Manito Ahbee Festival, and recognize and celebrate the best in Aboriginal music. Winners are chosen by music fans and industry stakeholders through an online voting system. All submissions are uploaded online for registered members to browse and consider before voting for their favourite choice. Artists are invited to submit before **June 30, 2010**. More information and submission forms are available at [www.aboriginalpeopleschoice.com](http://www.aboriginalpeopleschoice.com).

**ABOUT MANITO AHBEE**

**Manito Ahbee: A Festival for All Nations** celebrates and showcases Aboriginal music, art and culture. The 5<sup>th</sup> annual festival will take place in Winnipeg from November 3 to 7, 2010. Manito Ahbee – which means 'where the Creator sits' – honours a sacred site in Manitoba's Whiteshell Provincial Park where Aboriginal people have gathered for hundreds of years to share teachings and wisdom. There are several petroforms at this site including one shaped like a turtle that represents Turtle Island, which is another name for North America. Manito Ahbee was recognized in 2008 with Travel Manitoba's Tourism Award in the category of Aboriginal Tourism. [www.manitoahbee.com](http://www.manitoahbee.com)

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