





**CAJUN FRENCH MUSIC ASSOCIATION  
GOVERNING BODY  
IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS**


 **Check out the new Hall of Fame listing on the CFMA National Website.** You can now view a picture and read the biography of all of the Cajun Music Hall of Fame Inductees. Go to [www.cajunfrenchmusic.org](http://www.cajunfrenchmusic.org).

 Plans for the **2017 Le Cajun Awards and Music Festival** are moving right along. **We will need everyone to make an effort to volunteer some of their time at the festival. Each Chapter has an area that they are responsible for working. Please check with your chapter, and sign up as a volunteer. THEY NEED YOU AND WE DO TOO!!**

 As a reminder, the voting process for the **Le Cajun Music Awards** was changed by a majority vote of the general membership for the year 2016 and that process will be continue in 2017. The voting will be done by electors selected by each chapter and not by the general membership.

 **ACCORDION RAFFLE TICKETS** – Please make every effort to sell the Accordion Raffle tickets you received in the mail. This is the only major fund raiser sponsored by the National Governing Body. The proceeds are used throughout the year to continue the mission of the CFMA – **“Dedicated to promoting Cajun Music and Culture.”** Remember that you must return all unsold tickets to the CFMA as the State of Louisiana mandates that all printed tickets are accounted for under the Louisiana Gambling Regulations.

 **LE CAJUN SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES** – If you or someone you know is interested in being a sponsor of the Le Cajun Music Awards and Festival or the French Speaking Contest, please contact Helen Pulnik, National Board President, at 713-240-5089 or by email at [hpulnik@yahoo.com](mailto:hpulnik@yahoo.com) for sponsor opportunities. Thank you for your continued support.

 At the 2017 Le Cajun Awards and Music Festival, a **Silent Auction** will be held on Saturday August 19. If you have an item that you like to donate for the auction, please contact Helen Pulnik, National Board President, at 713-240-5089 or by email at [hpulnik@yahoo.com](mailto:hpulnik@yahoo.com) for sponsor opportunities.



**2017**  
*Le Cajun Music Award*  
*Finalists*

<p><i>ACCORDIONIST OF THE YEAR</i></p> <p>Bruce Daigrepoint Forest Huval Chris Miller</p>	<p><i>FIDDLER OF THE YEAR</i></p> <p>Gina Forsyth David Greely Kyle Hebert</p>
<p><i>MALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR</i></p> <p>Bruce Daigrepoint Forest Huval Chris Miller</p>	<p><i>BAND OF THE YEAR</i></p> <p>Bruce Daigrepoint Cajun Band Forest Huval Band Chris Miller &amp; Bayou Roots</p>
<p><i>BEST FIRST CD</i></p> <p>Broken Promised Land – Barry Ancelet and Sam Broussard</p> <p>Forest Huval – Forest Huval</p> <p>Le Chemin J’Aipris – Kenneth Benoit and Gravel Road</p>	<p><i>BEST TRADITIONAL CD OF THE YEAR</i></p> <p>Bienvenue Dans le Sud de la Louisiane - Bruce Daigrepoint</p> <p>Le boute s’approche - Chris Miller</p> <p>Memories of My Past - Coz Fontenot</p>
<p><i>SONG OF THE YEAR</i></p> <p>Bienvenue Dans le Sud de la Louisiane – Bruce Daigrepoint</p> <p>Le boute s’approche - Chris Miller</p> <p>T’as Casse Mon Couer - Kenneth Benoit and Gravel Road</p>	