POLARIS MUSIC PRIZE

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How To Make A Submission To The Polaris Music Portal

The Polaris Music Submission Portal can be found at…
https://polarismusicprize.ca/music-submissions/

Polaris accepts music submissions from artists directly or from their representatives (label, agent, manager, publicity, etc).

Below is a list of all the pieces of information someone will need to effectively fill out a submission to the Polaris Music Portal.

FAQ

* When is the submission deadline?

The submission deadline for the #Polaris2027 season is May 1, 2027. That said, we recommend people submit their music well ahead of this date. Late season submissions can be difficult for our jury to consider.

* How many submissions can I make?

Technically, there is no limit. We have learned from early submissions, though, that acts who have both full albums and individual songs they want the jury to consider should make submitting the full album their priority and should use the submission's bio field to make specific note of which focus tracks the jury should pay attention to. That said, submitting a full album and a separate profile for a key track is fine. Singles artists should probably limit themselves to submitting 1-2 priority songs for the season. We do NOT recommend that album-based artists create individual profiles for every track on their album.

* I just created my submission profile and I can’t find my confirmation email. Where is it?

We’ve had a few reports of the confirmation email going to peoples’ spam folders. Please check there.

* Polaris administration may delay submission approvals in September during our peak event season.

* Polaris may consider submissions without cover art to be incomplete and may not approve them.

The Submission Fields

Part 1 - Album/Song Information page

The following fields are part of the Album/Song Information page:

Album / Song Title
- Mandatory
- Please ensure that your title has your preferred correct capitalization and punctuation style

Release Date
- Mandatory
- Music being considered for the #Polaris2027 season must have been released between April 1, 2026 and May 1, 2027
- Release date must be consistent with DSP information or other publicly available sources

Label
- Mandatory
- If unaligned with a label, please input "Independent" or artist's name

Genres
- Mandatory
- Check up to three choices

Cover Image
- Mandatory
- Accepted file types: jpg, jpeg, png
- Image must be at least 1000x1000 and cropped square
- Max file size: 2 MB.

Credits/Liner Notes
- Optional
- Accepted file types: pdf, max file size: 2 MB.
- Artist name and music title should be included in file name.

Listening links
- Optional
- Direct URLs for the following
- Bandcamp
- Soundcloud
- Apple Music
- Spotify
- YouTube Music
- Amazon Music
- Tidal

Part 2 - Artist Information page

The following fields are part of the Artist Information page:

Artist Name
- Mandatory
- Please ensure that your title has your preferred correct capitalization and punctuation style

Bio
- Optional
- There is a 5000 character limit for this section

City
- Mandatory

Province
- Mandatory

Social Links
- Optional
- Direct URLs for the following
- Website
- Facebook
- Instagram
- TikTok
- YouTube

- Twitter/X
- Bluesky
- Threads

Part 3 - Contact Information

The following fields are part of the Contact Information page:

Primary Contact
- Mandatory
- 1st Field ... First and Last Name
- 2nd Field ... Email contact

Secondary Contact
- Optional
- 1st Field ... First and Last Name
- 2nd Field ... Email contact

Management Contact
- Optional
- 1st Field ... First and Last Name
- 2nd Field ... Email contact

Publicity Contact
- Optional
- 1st Field ... First and Last Name
- 2nd Field ... Email contact

Label Contact
- Optional
- 1st Field ... First and Last Name
- 2nd Field ... Email contact

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