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**International Superstar Michael Bublé Leads All  
 With Four Wins at the 35<sup>TH</sup> Annual JUNO Awards**

**CANADIAN ARTISTS DELIVER WORLD-CLASS PERFORMANCES**

**HALIFAX, April 2, 2006 - Michael Bublé**, Canada's internationally acclaimed singing sensation, emerged as the big winner at The 2006 JUNO Awards, Canada's Music Awards, broadcast on CTV tonight from the Halifax Metro Centre in Nova Scotia. In total, Bublé was honoured with four awards – three tonight including Single of the Year, Album of the Year and Artist of the Year and one for Pop Album of the Year presented last night at the JUNO Gala Dinner & Awards ceremony.

Seven awards in total were handed out at the celebrity-studded show hosted by superstar, **Pamela Anderson**. Other wins during tonight's live broadcast included **Bedouin Soundclash**, picking up their first JUNO Award for New Group of the Year (sponsored by FACTOR), **Arcade Fire** for Songwriter of the Year (sponsored by SOCAN) and **Broken Social Scene** who also claimed their second win for Alternative Album of the Year. Rockers **Simple Plan** was voted the JUNO Fan Choice Award winner (presented by Doritos).

**A complete list of winners for The 2006 JUNO Awards can be found at <http://www.juno-awards.ca>.**

The sold-out, standing room only crowd was treated to performances by Bedouin Soundclash, Broken Social Scene, 2006 Canadian Music Hall of Fame inductee Bryan Adams, Michael Bublé, and Nickelback who received two awards last evening for Group of the Year and Rock Album of the Year as did the Black Eyed Peas and Coldplay who tied for the JUNO Award for International Album of the Year.

A major highlight of the evening was Chris Martin's (Coldplay) tribute to music icon, **Bryan Adams** who was inducted into the Canadian Music Hall of Fame.

Delivering a show stopping performance, Vancouver native, **Michael Bublé** leapt to the stage on three occasions to accept his Awards. Since his February 2005 release of *It's Time*, Bublé has been on a whirlwind ride that has taken him on sold-out headlining tours to four different continents. His self-penned single "Home" has the distinction of being the most-heard song on Canadian radio in 2005, reaching an estimated audience in excess of 382 million.

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**Arcade Fire's** win for Songwriter of the Year (sponsored by SOCAN), tops off a surreal year for the Montreal indie rock ensemble. Their unique debut album, *Funeral*, was met with critical acclaim and

the group has been hailed as one of the coolest bands to come out of Canada. Arcade Fire received one nomination in 2005.

With a certified gold record and sold-out shows across Canada, the power trio known as **Bedouin Soundclash** has forged their own musical path by creating an innovative fusion of reggae, rock, punk and soul that embodies each member's diverse musical preferences.

Winning the category for a second time, **Broken Social Scene** is an artist collective, comprised of members of the Canadian indie rock community, and has developed from a two-person project into a musical drop-in centre that includes members of Metric, Stars and others. On this their third full-length album, k-os and The Dears' Murray Lightburn have joined the festivities.

Preceding the broadcast, CTV produced and broadcast **eTalk at the Junos**, a Red Carpet special that featured interviews with the biggest celebrities of the night. Produced by CTV's Entertainment Unit, the special was hosted by Ben Mulroney and Tanya Kim and featured a virtual "who's who" of Canadian music. This is the fifth year The JUNO Awards have been broadcast on CTV.

Sponsors for the 2006 JUNO Awards include FACTOR, Canada's Private Radio Broadcasters and the Government of Canada through the Department of Canadian Heritage's "Canada Music Fund", Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency, the Province of Nova Scotia, the Halifax Regional Municipality, Events Halifax and Radio Starmaker Fund. Broadcast sponsors include General Motors, Pantene Pro-V, Doritos, and Nice 'n Easy.

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