

The 2008 San Diego Music Awards – presented by Bud Light Music, San Diego CityBeat and Viejas — were held this evening at Viejas Concerts in the Park. A sell out crowd enjoyed performances from As I Lay Dying, Louis XIV, Jayo Felony, Steve Poltz and more.

All proceeds from the San Diego Music Awards are used to purchase Taylor Guitars for San Diego County Schools. A total of **\$41,327.00** was raised in 2008, from ticket sales, sponsorships and donations. To date the San Diego Music Awards in partnership with Taylor Guitars have donated 1426 guitars to 56 elementary schools in San Diego County.

The complete 2008 San Diego Music Awards winners list is below:

Album of the Year — **Slightly Stoopid** – *Cronchitis* 

Artist of the Year — As I Lay Dying

Best Acoustic – Veronica May

Best Alternative – **Scarlet Symphony** 

Best Alternative Album – **Grand Ole Party** – *Humanimals* 

Best Americana or Country - Eve Selis

Best Americana or Country Album – Billy Midnight – Don't Get Your Hopes Up

Best Blues - Lady Dottie & the Diamonds

Best Blues Album – Nathan James & Ben Hernandez – Hollerin'!

Best Club DJ – Shark Attack

Best Cover or Tribute Band – Cash'd Out

Best Electronic – The Album Leaf

Best Hard Rock – Thieves & Liars

Best Hard Rock Album – Sirhan Sirhan - Blood

Best Hip Hop – MC Flow

Best Hip Hop Album – MC Flow – *Incredible* 

Best Jazz - Holly Hofmann

Best Jazz Album – Karl Denson Trio – Lunar Orbit

Best Local Recording – Sayvinyl - God Forbid

Best New Artist - The Silent Comedy

Best Pop – Get Back Loretta

Best Pop Album – The Modlins - With Friends Like These

Best Rock – **Dirty Sweet** 

Best Rock Album – The Night Marchers - See You In Magic

Best World – **Tribal Seeds** 

Song of the Year — Slightly Stoopid – 2am

Lifetime Achievement Award — Mundell Lowe