



## Tumbleweed Music Festival Begins September 4, 2021

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Dear Songwriters,

The Three Rivers Folklife Society is again hosting the Jane Titland Memorial Songwriting Contest in conjunction with the 25<sup>th</sup> annual Tumbleweed (Virtual) Music Festival. This year's festival will begin on Friday, September 4, 2021 at our festival website, <http://tumbleweedmusicfestival.org>.

Each year's contest features a new song topic based on the theme of the festival for that year. The festival theme for this year will be ***Silver Linings***. Applications **MUST** be received by email, US mail or land carrier by **April 20, 2021**. Songwriting Contest entrants need not be Tumbleweed Music Festival participants.

To enter, you must submit (electronically or by a physical copy) a completed application, along with a recording of a performance (by you) of your entry song, and a lyric sheet. You may submit your application, recorded performance, and lyric sheet either electronically, to [tumbleweedsubmissions@gmail.com](mailto:tumbleweedsubmissions@gmail.com), or by US mail or land carrier, addressed to **“Songwriting Contest, C/O 3RFS, PO Box 1098, Richland, WA 99352.”** If available, we ask that you please include a biography / press kit, photos of yourself or your group, and website/social media information (including tipjar links).

Preliminary entry screening will be conducted in May and June, and ten finalists and three alternates will be notified by early July. The finalists will submit videos of a performance of their songs for review by a panel of judges (requirements for these videos will be sent when you are chosen as a finalist). The top three winners will receive prizes as below.

- First place will receive \$300 and the 2021 Tumbleweed Songwriting Contest trophy. The winning song will be incorporated into the “Saturday Concert” in the Festival.
- Second place will receive \$150.
- Third place will receive \$75.

### Rules and Procedures:

- Each competing artist or collaborating group may enter one original song in the contest.
- The song must comprise the original lyrics and melody of the writer(s).
- Songs may have been previously recorded.
- The writer(s) will retain all rights to the song.
- Submit recording and lyric sheet as instructed on the attached contest entry form.
- Songs must be performed by the writer(s), though others may perform with the writer(s).
- The submitted recording should be representative of a live performance.
- All decisions of the judging panel are final.
- Finalists must submit their recorded performance of their song to be considered for a prize.
- Judging criteria include applicability to the contest topic, song quality, and performance quality.

**Photo/Video Release:** If accepted as a finalist, you agree to allow your photo and the video of your performance to be used by 3RFS for publicity or grant application purposes, including traditional radio, television, and print media as well as clips from your public social media postings.

There's no entry fee, so why not challenge yourself?

Sincerely,

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## Jane Titland Memorial Songwriting Contest Entry Form

Please enter my/our original song in the 2021 Tumbleweed Music Festival Jane Titland Songwriting Contest, with the theme of *Silver Linings*.

I am submitting lyrics and a recording of an original song. I am a featured artist on the recording. The recording is representative of a live performance of this song. I certify by submission that all writing and publication rights for this song remain solely with me and have not been sold or contractually assigned to any other entity. I understand that all judging decisions are final.

Signature

Date

Print Name

Song Title

Songwriter(s)

Contact Person

Phone (day)

(eve)

(cell)

Address

City

State

Zip

Country if not US

Email

Web site:

Names of all performers in the submitted song recording

Have you applied to perform at the 2021 Tumbleweed Music Festival? Yes

Name(s) of festival act(s) that you and/or others performing with you are in:

**Please send the following items to the festival at the address above by April 20, 2021:**

- This form
- Lyric sheet
- If available, a current photo, performer bio, and website/social media information
- Recording (electronic files **OR** CD or thumb drive) that is representative of live performance. (*Must be separate from the recording you submit with your Tumbleweed performer application.*)

Please title or label your recording with the songwriter's name and the name of the song.

**Don't forget the lyric sheet!**