

# Perfect Pitch

a musical journey

K'naan



CD HPHP K67t

CD of the Month  
April 2010

## Troubadour by K'Naan CD HPHP K67t

This month's pick for CD of the Month is Troubadour by K'naan. A long way from home, this Somali-born artist comes from a very musical family. Awarded two Junos at this year's Juno Awards for Songwriter of the Year as well as Artist of the Year, K'naan's musical style has been described as "a sound that fuses Bob Marley, conscious American hip hop, and brilliant protest poetry". According to him, he makes "urgent music with a message", especially in reference to ending the violence and bloodshed in his native Somalia. His music is a "mix of tradition and a kind of articulation of my own life and my past experiences". Major musical influences in his latest album, Troubadour, include Ethiopian elements, particularly Ethiopian jazz. Continuing the wave of fame and good fortune, a remixed version of his single, "Wavin'Flag" has been chosen as the Coca-Cola anthem for the 2010 FIFA world Cup, to be held in South Africa.



## Juno Award Winners

### **Album of the Year / Juno Fan Choice Award / Pop Album of the Year**

Michael Bublé: Crazy Love (CD 784.56 B917cr)

### **Single of the Year**

Michael Bublé: "*Haven't Met You Yet*"

(CD 784.56 B917cr)

### **New Artist of the Year / Rap Recording of the Year**

Drake: So far gone (CD RAP D761s)

### **Songwriter of the Year / Artist of the Year**

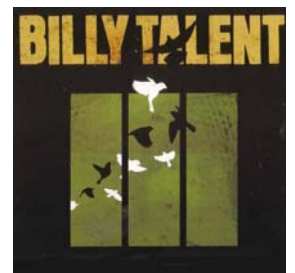
K'naan: Troubadour (CD HPHP K67t)

### **Group of the Year / Alternative Album of the Year**

Metric: Fantasies (CD ALT M594f)

### **Rock Album of the Year**

Billy Talent: III (CD ALT B599th)



## International Album of the Year

Kings of Leon: *Only by the Night*  
(CD 784.54 K551o)

## New Group of the Year

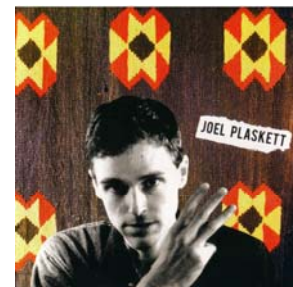
Arkells: *Jackson Square* (CD ROCK A721j)

## Country Album of the Year:

Johnny Reid: *Dance With Me* (CD CNTRY R356d)

## Adult Alternative Album of the Year:

Joel Plaskett: *Three* (CD ALT P715t)



## Vocal Jazz Album of the Year:

Ranee Lee: *Ranee Lee Lives Upstairs*  
(CD JAZZ L749Li)

## Francophone Album of the Year:

Andrea Lindsay: *Les sentinelles dorment* (CD FRAN L748s)

## R&B/Soul Recording of the Year:

Jacksoul: *Soulmate* (CD SOUL J14s)

## Roots & Traditional Album of the Year, Solo:

Amelia Curran: *Hunter, Hunter* (CD FOLK C976h)

## Other Nominees

Tragically Hip: *We are the same* (CD ROCK T76we)

Shiloh: *Picture imperfect* (CD POP S556)

Justin Bieber: *My world* (CD POP B586m)

Justin Bieber: *My world 2.0* (CD POP B586my)

Juno Awards 2010 (compilation) (CD ROCK COMP J95 2010)

