



IPA Newsletter

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The International Polka Association would like to officially announce this year's Polka Music Hall of Fame inductees and the 2014 Polka Music Award winners. Each year two prominent living personalities and one deceased celebrity, who have made outstanding contributions toward the advancement of the polka music industry, are elected into the Polka Music Hall of Fame. An academy of over 165 qualified electors from across the country select the Hall of Fame inductees and music awards recipients.

The results are as follows:

2014 IPA Polka Music Hall of Fame Inductees

Living Category:
Mark Trzepacz
Randy Koslosky

Deceased Category:
Chester Budny

Pioneer Category:
Florian Chmielewski

2014 IPA Polka Music Award Winners

Favorite Male Vocalist:
Lenny Gomulka

Favorite Female Vocalist:
Mollie Busta Lange

Favorite Band:
Dennis Polisky & Maestro's Men

Favorite Album:
"Love Notes" - Kevin Adams

Favorite Song:
"The Roads We Travel" - Polka Country Musicians

The induction ceremonies and award presentations will be conducted at the IPA Polka Hall of Fame & Music Awards Banquet held this year on Saturday, September 5 at the Millennium Hotel in Buffalo, New York. Contact Linda Niewierowski at 773-489-3987 to make your banquet reservations. The banquet is just part of the 47th Annual IPA Polka Festival and Convention that takes place from September 4-6, 2015. For all the details about the festival, banquet, and convention, visit www.ipapolkas.com.

IPA Hall of Fame & Award Winners 2015

Hall of Fame Inductees:

- Chester Budny (Deceased Category)
- Mark Trzepacz (Living Category)
- Randy Koslosky (Living Category)
- Florian Chmielewski (Pioneer Category)

Award Winners:

- Favorite Male Vocalist: Lenny Gomulka
- Favorite Female Vocalist: Mollie Busta Lange
- Favorite Band: Maestro's Men
- Favorite Album: "Love Notes" by Kevin Adams
- Favorite Song: "The Roads We Travel" by Polka Country Musicians

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Dues are \$15.00 per person for all members. You can also purchase a lifetime membership for only \$200.00 per person. If you would like to join the IPA, please send your check or money order to:

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The IPA would like to go green! Help us save money on printing costs and postage.

If you would like your newsletter emailed to you, please send an email to christy-ipa@sbcglobal.net.

Please put in the subject line: PLEASE EMAIL MY NEWSLETTER.

**IPA RADIO SHOW**

Don't forget to listen to the IPA Radio Show on Sundays, 11:00 a.m.—12 noon Central Time on WPNA (1490 AM) in Chicago or via the internet at www.wpna1490am.com. Each show features IPA officers and directors including Rick Rzeszutko, Linda Niewierowski, Laura Mateja, Mike Maduzia, Christy Krawisz, John Krawisz, Dennis Mikolajewski, Keith Pietranczyk, Jerry Wantroba, and Dan Mateja.

The IPA Radio Show is also broadcast on the Polka Jammer Network on Saturdays from 4-5 p.m. Central Time and also available in the Polka Jammer archives. Be sure to tune in!

Visit www.polkajammernetwork.org

Please call 1-800-TO-POLKA if you are interesting in advertising on the IPA Radio Show. WE NEED SPONSORS!

IPA Ludlow Benefit - February 28 & March 1; Ludlow, Massachusetts



IPA & Let's Polka USA Joint Dance - March 22; Chicago, IL



Wisconsin IPA Dance - April 18; Marathon, WI



For full photo albums, visit ipapolkas.com or facebook.com/ipapolkas

47th Annual

2015 Festival & Convention

Sept. 4-6, 2015



The Knewz
Freeze Dried
Polka Family
The Buffalo Touch
IPA Tribute Band

Polka Country Musicians
Tony Blazonczyk's New Phaze
Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push
Dennis Polisky & The Maestro's Men

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 Tower Rooms \$99/Night
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 Call 716-681-2400 for reservations

More info:
www.ipapolkas.com

SAVE THE DATE!

Summer Picnic

Saturday, August 8

Hammond Mohawks Picnic Grove
 4040 Calumet Avenue
 Hammond, Indiana

Music provided by:

Freeze Dried
Jimmy Kilian & Honky Chicago

More details to follow in
 July-August newsletter.

IPA Calendar Raffle Winners

The list keeps growing, and there are still more chances to win. Congratulations to the following calendar raffle winners. It's still not too late to purchase your raffle tickets; there are still 37 more chances to win. Contact an IPA board member to purchase your tickets.

January 4	Kenneth Dunaj	Mosinee, WI
January 11	Joseph Pusz	Lansing, IL
January 18	Anne Gierut	Chicago, IL
January 25	Mashelle Pavey	Naperville, IL
February 1	Patricia Daigle	Chicopee, MA
February 8	Fran Russo	Brecksville, OH
February 15	Linda Kendzierski	Bridgewater, NJ
February 22	Cecilia Osysko	Cicero, IL
March 1	Ed Zavaski, Jr	Wallingford, CT
March 8	Michael R. Bobrowsky	Seymour, CT
March 15	Karen Stanczyk	Stevens Point, WI
March 22	Bill Gliwa	Lemont, IL
March 29	Rhonda Wiet	Palos Park, IL
April 5	Rob Czech	West Springfield, MA
April 12	Frieda Mocny	Lockport, IL
April 19	Richard F. Berkowicz	Justice, IL
April 26	Richard E. Leach	Milton, WI

Jeff Heinz Celebrates 30 Years of Polka Broadcasting



Members of the IPA Board presented Wisconsin DJ Jeff Heinz a Certificate of Appreciation in honor of his 30th year of polka broadcasting. The award was presented to Jeff at his 30th anniversary dance Saturday, March 21 in Wausau, Wisconsin. Pictured is IPA President Rick Rzeszutko with Jeff Heinz. Jeff can be heard every Sunday morning from 6am until noon on 101.9 WDEZ and online at WDEZ.com. Congratulations, Jeff, and thank you for promoting polka music.

10th Annual IPA Benefit - Ludlow, MA

The annual IPA Benefit weekend at the Ludlow Polish American Citizens Club in Ludlow, MA, held this year on February 28 and March 1, proved to be another resounding success. On Saturday night, a packed house turned out to enjoy the vibrant polka sounds of The Boys.

Since the famed Dynatone, Dave "Scrubby" Seweryniak was being honored at this year's event, long-time band mates Larry Trojak and Mark Trzepacz performed some of their signature songs with The Boys to the crowd's delight. On Sunday, the Eddie Forman Orchestra, Dennis Polisky and The Maestro's Men, and Lenny Gomulka and Chicago Push joined forces to entertain an enthusiastic sell-out audience. The highlight of the afternoon featured a special tribute show to honor Scrubby performed by Chicago Push with Larry Trojak on drums and Mark Trzepacz serving as Master of Ceremonies. The band did a great job emulating the distinctive Dynaton sound as Mark eloquently narrated the highlights of Scrubby's impressive musical career. That special atmosphere, which only occurs when polka fans from near and far converge to celebrate the music they love, filled the hall all weekend.

The IPA was well represented as Chicago officers and board members Rick Rzeszutko, Linda Niewierowski, Danny & Laura Mateja, and Mike Maduzia joined at-large officers and directors Freddy Kendzierski, Eddie Szela, Pete Danielczuk, Debbie Dunaj, Lori Urbanczyk, and Mike Matousek at the event. Even former IPA President Dave Ulczycki was there to show his support. The list of IPA Polka Hall of Famers in attendance included Keith Stras, Jackie Libera, John Gora, Frank Liszka, Wally Dombrowski, Eddie Forman, Kevin Adams, Mike Matousek, Mitch Biskup, Lenny Gomulka, Wally Maduzia, Billy Belina, Dennis Polisky, Freddy Kendzierski, and Jimmy Weber. The IPA is grateful to all the polka organizations, IJs/DJs, columnists, promoters, and musicians who helped promote this special weekend. Special thanks go out to Eddie & Jeanne Szela, Freddy and Linda Kendzierski, and all the hard-working volunteers who make this benefit possible at the Ludlow PACC every year. ~ Mike Matousek



IPA Hall of Famers in attendance at Ludlow.

IPA Hall of Famer Eddie Skinger Passes

The gifted Eddie Skinger has always been clear about his commitment to his vocation. Over the past 62 years, he has become an accomplished and respected vocalist, musician, arranger and composer. His talent and ability shine through his music and can easily be considered as one of the bright lights within the Polka Industry.

Eddie Skinger has performed and recorded for some of the greatest Polka bands of all time including: Frank Wojnarowski, Frank Yankovic, The Connecticut Twins, Dick Pillar, Bud Hunden-ski, Polka Country Musicians, Happy Louie, Walt Jaworski, Ray Henry, Jimmy Sturr, Gene Mendalski and The G-Men, Dennis Polisky and The Maestro's Men, Stas Golonka, The King Brothers, Chet Dragon, Gene Wisniewski, Charlie Hyatt, Jas Przasnyski, John Demerski, Joe Toriskie and The Casuals.



Eddie has become affectionately known as "The Platinum Voice" of Polkas. His smooth style of delivery and mastery of the Polish language has earned him accolades throughout the Polka World. Eddie has dedicated himself to the Polka Industry and has proven to be one of the finest vocalists and musicians.

Eddie's credits include a recording on many labels including RCA, Sesac, Dana, Steljo, Windsor, Starr, and Sunshine. He has written and arranged for Ray Henry, Dick Pillar, Dennis Polisky and The Maestro Men, Polka Family along with his own orchestra. Some of his many original compositions include "From Me To You Polka," "Move It Oberek," "My Mother Waltz" and "Who's There Polka."

He has had affiliations with numerous organizations, such as the American Federation of Musicians, BMI, NARAS, Polka Music Clubs United, United Polka Boosters, United Polka Association and the International Polka Association, serving as the MC for the 1993 Awards Banquet. He has also held the position of the Clerk of the Zoning Board, as well as being the former Alderman, in New Britain, Connecticut. In addition, Eddie Skinger has been involved with the American Federation of Teachers, International Association of Machinists, Pulaski Democratic Club, New Britain, Connecticut. He has also served as Communicant of St. Patrick's Cathedral, Norwich, Connecticut, Foreign Student Exchange Coordinator and in the U.S. Army.

Eddie was inducted into the Polka Music Hall of Fame in 2001 and passed away on March 17, 2015 after a long battle with heart failure.

Eddie's bio taken from: <http://www.ipapolkas.com/blog/otw-portfolio/eddie-skinger-living-category-inducted-2001/>

IPA Radio Shows

Don't forget! The IPA broadcasts two weekly polka shows, and both are available to listen to online. Below is the tentative schedule of IPA directors and officers hosting the shows. (DJs/IJs and broadcast times are subject to change.)

Polka Jammer IJs

Saturdays 4:00-5:00 pm, Central Time
www.polkajammernetwork.org

May 2:	Freddy "K" Kendzierski
May 9:	Mike Maduzia and Rick Rzeszutko
May 16:	Linda Niewierowski
May 23:	John Zelasko
May 30:	John & Christy Krawisz
June 6:	Bonnie Ryniec, Dennis Mikolajewski, and Dan & Laura Mateja
June 13:	Peter Danielczuk
June 20:	Ed Guca
June 27:	Keith Pietranczyk

WPNA Radio Shows DJs

Sundays, 11:00-12 noon Central Time
 1490 AM Chicago or online at
www.wpna1490am.com

May 3:	Keith Pietranczyk
May 10:	Bonnie Ryniec, Dennis Mikolajewski, and Dan & Laura Mateja
May 17:	Mike Maduzia and Rick Rzeszutko
May 24:	Linda Niewierowski and Jerry Wantroba
May 31:	John & Christy Krawisz
June 7:	Keith Pietranczyk
June 14:	Bonnie Ryniec, Dennis Mikolajewski, and Dan & Laura Mateja
June 21:	Mike Maduzia and Rick Rzeszutko
June 28:	Linda Niewierowski and Jerry Wantroba
July 5:	John & Christy Krawisz

Thank You To...

- Erika Danner for her monetary donation.
- Stanley Strojny for his monetary donation.

Please Remember Us In Your Will Or Trust

To assure the future of the IPA and polka music, your assistance is needed. When you write or review your Will or Trust, please consider leaving a charitable request. Ask your attorney to include the International Polka Association.

In Memoriam

Our deepest sympathies go out to the families and friends of:

- ◇ Tony Skalkus, IPA member
- ◇ Theresa Jagielski, IPA member

IPA Online Store

Have you visited our new IPA online store lately? You can renew your membership online or order one of our IPA t-shirts. Be one of the first to sport the NEW blue shirts, or get one of the last red or green t-shirts, available in very limited quantities.

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Thank You

On behalf of Center for Hospice Care, thank you for your donation of \$50.00 in honor of Edmund Skinger. Your generosity will enable us to help our patients live life as fully as possible near the end of their journeys, and to support their families during the experience. Your support is especially important in helping us to provide care and service to people who have no insurance, are underinsured or are unable to pay. Because of your generosity, they, too, will achieve death with dignity.

Your generous support will help us make a difference because for the people we serve every *moment matters*. Thank you.

Carol L. Mahier, RN, MSN, CHPCA
 President/CEO
 Center for Hospice Care Southeast Connecticut

NEXT IPA GENERAL MEMBER MEETING

Tuesday, May 19

Polonia Banquets - Chicago, IL
 Doors Open 6:30 pm
 Meeting 7:00 pm
 Cake and coffee will be served.



IPA Birthdays



May

- 1: Dick Powell
- 2: Judy Del Pozzo; Valerie Pudlo; Gary Rozak;
Rita Sajkowicz; John Kwiatkowski, Jr;
John Kostecki
- 3: Beverly Lorek
- 4: Harold Otto; Sandi Zaganiacz
- 5: Joe Towalski
- 6: Frank Gubala; Mashelle Pavey; Julie Misek
- 7: Ray Pasinski; Richard Kozacko
- 8: Grace Mikrut
- 10: Lenny Zielinski; John Demerski; David
Nowatzki; Mike Surratt; Jill Krzeszewski
- 11: Eleanor Grudi
- 12: Bernie Gorak II; Minnie Florio;
Chester Sterczek
- 13: Julie Figura; Connie Shemansky; Bob Raica;
Peggy Engerson
- 14: Stacey Morris; Carolyn Blajda
- 15: Krystin Smaka
- 16: Chris Bogdon; Eddie Korosa, Jr.
- 17: Edmund Burdzy; Linda Chesky-Fernandes;
Angela Campbell
- 18: Larry Stec
- 19: Clarence Karakla; Geraldine Babula; Joe
Michalski; Mindi Tietz
- 20: Ryan Ogrodny; Stan Baryla
- 21: Marge Smith
- 22: Chet Schafer; Raymond Skorka;
Linda Kendzierski; Alex Quinnell
- 23: Judith Pollick
- 24: Mary Saber
- 25: Robyn Mrozinski; Arlene Talbot
- 26: Tim Winiarz
- 27: Rick Zarek; Jane Piotrowski; Jersey Polka
Richie; Bernadine Jankowski; Jeffrey Elrick
- 29: Andy Bojczuk; Carolyn Kasprovicz; Martin
Olshanski; Kim Hedrich; Peter Siuda
- 30: Jerold Kriston
- 31: John Bryndza; Ashley Mateja; Bill Popek

June

- 1: Mike Skalecki; Ron Buczko
- 2: Jack Sanocki
- 3: Virgil Baker, Jr; Bernie Gorak, Sr.
- 4: Richie Sendra; Bob Jakubielski
- 5: Jeannette Ziobro; Stan Pasko
- 6: Robert Banoczi; Mary Jo Liccar;
Carl Simchena
- 7: Debbie Dunaj, Rich Benkowski; Joe Kizior;
Frank Kupidlowski
- 9: Mary Kay Dench; Lambert Lasecki; Curt
Traska
- 10: John Baras; Eugene Kasprovicz;
Dale Kivinen
- 11: Wayne Drust; Mel Himes; Eddie Ostry
- 12: Virgil Herrmann; Chet Kowalkowski
- 13: Walter Berkowicz
- 14: Judy Kwiatowski
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- 20: Bud Beyer; Louise Kurek; Karen Dekoski;
Jane Perkin
- 22: Joanne Kozleski Jones
- 23: Ed Krupinski
- 24: Kenneth Dunaj; Mollie Busta Lange
- 26: Mary Ann Markatenas; John Filipczak;
Wayne Machnicki; Joe Zalewski
- 27: Joseph Wondolowski
- 28: Julcia Dusseault; Frank Blajda
- 29: Robert Frydryk; Ron Urbanczyk
- 30: Charles Townsend

If you wish to have your birthday listed, please
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send it to: John Krawisz, IPA Birthdays,
PO Box 1484 — Plainfield, IL 60585

Did You Know?

Did you know the International Polka Association is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization as recognized by the IRS? All donations to the IPA are tax-deductible.

Have you moved? Have you updated your email address? Would you like your birthday listed in the newsletter? Would you like your newsletter emailed to you?

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Jennifer Buchert

Stanley Szufnarowski

Natalie Szufnarowski

Brent Iskra

Mike Cielecki

Hilda Ellis

Members are very important to the International Polka Association! If your membership is up for renewal, please send your renewal and dues as soon as possible. Membership dues are \$15.00 per year or \$200.00 for a lifetime membership and can be renewed online at our website, ipapolkas.com.

Birthday Wishes

Happy belated birthday to Jane Siuda, whose birthday on April 23 was inadvertently omitted from the March-April newsletter.

Todd Zaganiacz Receives Joe Jozwiak Special Achievement Award

Many years ago, the late Joseph Jozwiak, a director of the IPA, made a suggestion that an award be bestowed upon an individual or group of individuals who have made a significant contribution or endeavor to enhance the promotion of polka music. After much discussion, the International Polka Association (voted to honor those worthy individuals with the establishment of the Special Achievement Award. To pay tribute to Joe Jozwiak, following his passing, this award was renamed the Joe Jozwiak Special Achievement Award.

Todd Zaganiacz was presented the Joe Jozwiak Special Achievement Award at the IPA Benefit Dance in Ludlow, Massachusetts on March 1. Todd is currently the President of the Polka Jammer Network, a DJ/IJ, and owns his own music label called The Music Zone. Todd is from the state of Massachusetts.

Congratulations, Todd, and thank you for your contributions to polka music.



2014 Freddy K Jr. Scholarship Award Winner

Jenna Libera of Charlton, Massachusetts, was the recipient of the Freddy K. Jr. Scholarship Award for 2014. She accepted her check of \$1,000 at Ocean Beach Park, New London, Connecticut this past June. Jenna graduated from Shephard Hill Regional High School in Dudley, Mass where she studied Advanced Placement Chemistry, Advanced Placement Biology, Advanced Placement Literature and Advanced Placement Spanish among her other courses, and was Student Council President, Freshman Advisory Coordinator, on the Honor Roll all four years of high school and on the National Honors Society, Tri-M Music Honors Society, Accelerated Calculus level and had Advanced Math & Science MCAS scores. She graduated 35 out of 269 students.

Jenna has been listening to and performing polka music her whole life. She has traveled with her parents to many dances and festivals where she met many of her closest friends, and she owes her own identity to her Polish heritage and polka music. She plays trumpet and piano, and she sings and writes her own original compositions. Jenna will be attending Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts this fall where she will be majoring in neuroscience. The Freddy K Jr. Music Scholarship Committee is proud of our judges this year who chose Jenna to be the recipient of this year's award. She is a credit to all the young people in our music industry.

The Freddy K. Jr. Music Scholarship Committee is now accepting requests for applications for the 2014 Scholarship award. Applicants must be high school seniors who have been accepted to an accredited college and play a musical instrument. The award is presented at a Polka Festival of their choice each summer.

Anyone who is interested in applying for the scholarship award can contact the Scholarship Committee at:

The Freddy K. Jr. Scholarship Fund
50 Totten Drive
Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Or you can download an application on our website www.freddykjrmusicscholarship.com



Jenna Libera receiving scholarship check from Fred Kendzierski at Ocean Beach Park Polka Days, June 2014.



Jackie, Linda, and Jenna Libera with Fred & Linda Kendzierski at Ocean Beach Park Polka Days.

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- 1:00 STV Bavaria
- 1:30 Tribal Fire Dancers
- 2:00 Living Traditions Folk Ensemble
- 3:00 St. Demetrios Greek Dancers
- 3:30 St. Sava Serbian Dancers
- 4:00 Syrena Polish Dance Group
- 5:00 Geauga Highlanders Pipes & Drums
- 6:30- *"Jimmy K. & Ethnic Jazz"*
- 10:30 *Polka and more!*



Guest Speakers in the Church

- 1:00 Rev. Michael Lee, Byzantine priest
- 3:00 Rev. Dennis Hrubciak, former pastor

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2:00 & 4:00

Church Services

- 6:00 PM Vespers (Evening Prayers)
- 11:00 PM Divine Liturgy (Catholic Mass)

Menu

- Hand-pinched Potato Cheese Pierogi
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POLKAS IN PUNTA CANA 2015

November 7 - 14



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Thursday, June 25

10 am – 4 pm
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Beach Party On The Boardwalk

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Saturday, June 27

9:30 am – 3:30 pm
In The Pavilion
5 pm – 1 am
In The Ballroom

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The Boys

The Knewz

Lenny Gomulka &

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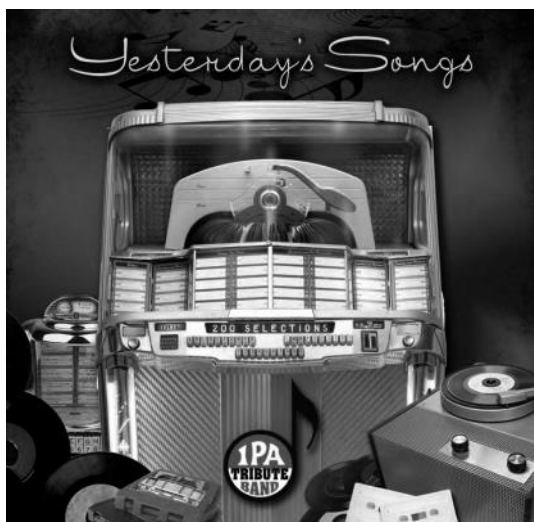
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USPA Announces Annual Award Finalists

The United States Polka Association recently announced its annual music awards. Our own IPA Director, Mike Matousek, is being honored with their Lifetime Achievement Award (Living Category), while the late great Ray Henry won the award in the deceased category. Andy Lasceski will be presented with the USPA New Horizons Award.

The candidates for each music awards category are as follows: Favorite Male Vocalist: Andy Bojczuk, Wally Dombrowski, and Lenny Gomulka; Favorite Female Vocalist: Mollie Busta Lange, Laura Mateja, and Stacey Morris; Favorite Recording: *Breakdowns – The Phaze That Never Ends* by New Phaze, *Love Notes* by Kevin Adams; *Roads We Travel* by Polka Country Musicians, and *Never Let Me Go* by New Brass Express; Favorite Song: *Do You Love Me?* by Kevin Adams; *Roads We Travel* by Polka Country Musicians, and *Winobranie* by New Phaze; Favorite Band: The Boys, The Knewz, and Polka Country Musicians; Favorite IJ/DJ: Mike Matousek & Mike Ziemiński; Bryan “The Party” Palacz, and Todd Zaganiacz; and Favorite Polka Video: *Do You Love Me?* by Kevin Adams and *Roads We Travel* by Polka Country Musicians. The winners will be announced at the USPA Polka Music Awards Banquet on May 23. The IPA extends its congratulations to all award finalists and winners.



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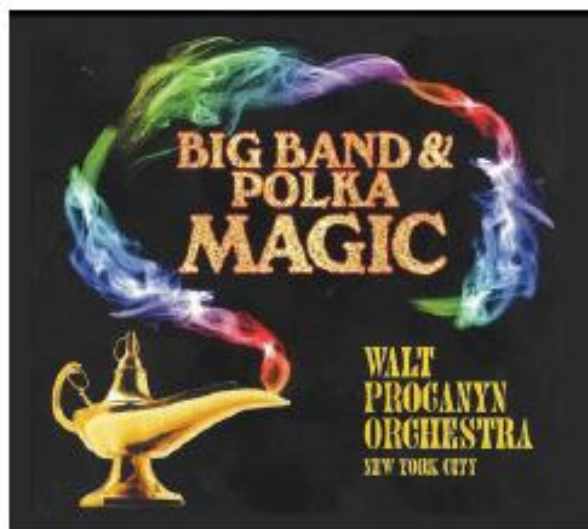
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