

# Dallas Songwriters 2004 Song Contest

## GRAND PRIZE WINNERS

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Grand Prize runner up, John Watilo, received a music video production from Green Room Productions, and the second runner



John Watilo  
Grand Prize Runner Up

up, Victor Bruno, received 10 hours recording time from River Sounds. Presenters included, Song Contes Director Sherrie Davis, Don Ashley, Mary Dawson, Joni Ringo, Will Brown, Nancy Rynders, Mark Hughey, Alex Townes and Annie Benjamin. Vern Dailey received the Songwriter of the Year Award. There were performances by Whit Hyde, Wayne Richards, Jan Seided, Alex Townes, Bill Honker, Craig St. Clair, Richard Kirwan, Annie Cornelius, Joe Kirkland Dan Chandler, and Angela Blair. In all, it was a great afternoon of Italian food and songs and everyone walked away with a wonderfully good feeling plus a double CD compilation of the winners.. Thanks to the DSA Director and their wives, who all pitched in to set up and clean up after the event. Things really ran smoothly because of everyone's dedication. The winners of the 2004 DSA Song Contest are posted on the DSA website at

<http://www.dallasongwriters.org/songcontest/2004winners.htm>

There is also a link to pictures from the event on that page. Winners are also posted on the Broadjam site with sound clips and photos There are pictures from the awards lunch, and all 28 songs from the 2004 song contest winners CD. Just go to <http://www.broadjam.com/>, click on Search in the upper right corner, and enter Dallas Songwriters in the artist field

### BEST SONG OF THE YEAR

(picked from the list below of the Best Songs of the Meeting, judged by Patrick McGuire)

Part Time Lovers, Full Time Fools  
by Vern Dailey & Dawn Anita Diffy  
Tie for 2nd

Just One Beer Away by Vern Dailey & David Cline  
You Broke It, You Fix It by Vern Dailey & J. Perkins

### SONGWRITER OF THE YEAR

**VERN DAILEY**

Had the most songs picked at the monthly meetings



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1. *Another Round* by Bryon Winter, Studio City, CA

2. *Mirror Mirror* by John Watilo, Lewisville, Tx

3. *Pressure (Leave Me Alone)* by Victor Bruno, Bronx, NY

*HM Later Than You Think* by Rick Rowan, Valencia, CA

*HM Out Here on the Edge* by Will Hopkins, Nashville, TN

### ANOTHER ROUND ©Bryan Winter

Folks come in after their shift  
To my little corner bar  
I try to give each one a lift  
Start by asking how they are  
I'll draw their favorite beer  
Serve it with a smile  
Lend a sympathetic ear  
Say I hope they stay a while  
And though I might not say another word  
They talk to me for hours  
Say all the things that they need heard...

### CHORUS

They'll say "he'll never love her like I did,"  
"I wish I'd spent time with my kid"  
"I almost finished school but I dropped out,"

"Oh, but now I'm just too old to try"

And a million other reasons why

"So pour the only peace I ever found...another round."

Some talk almost at a shout  
Wear their stories on their sleeve  
Others have to be drawn out,  
Then they never want to leave.

They don't even know my name  
But I'll know what's in their heart  
They'll show me their deepest pain  
How it's tearing them apart.

I'll hear the thoughts they never tell their wives,

And I'll know the fears they live by  
The things that eat them up alive...

### CHORUS

If you think you've aged I'll say you're young

If we disagree I'll hold my tongue

I'm your best friend right until the night is done

But sometimes I can't listen any more

That's when I go this place downtown

Where they will hear me while they pour...

### CHORUS

### MIRROR, MIRROR by John Watilo

They say Jesus changes everything  
But when I look it's hard to see  
My reflection in the mirror doesn't show  
much change in me  
I can quote the Bible all day long  
But there are days I don't really know  
Is it only an act I'm putting on, or does  
Jesus really show

### CHORUS:

Mirror, mirror, on my wall, you cannot tell a lie

But you see only part of me, and not the man inside

Mirror, mirror, if it were my heart that you could see

Would Jesus be reflected in me?

### VERSE 2:

I go to church as often as I can  
I hang around believin' friends  
I use all the words that make me sound so spiritual to them

But if it's only the same old man in me  
Trying to play by some different rules  
Well, then I've really only just become another blind, religious fool

### REPEAT CHORUS

I can quote the Bible all day long  
But there are days I don't really know  
Is it only an act I'm putting on, or does  
Jesus really show  
Does He really show?

### FINAL CHORUS:

Jesus, Jesus, in my heart, You cannot tell a lie

And You see every part of me - not just the man outside

Jesus, if a mirror could reflect the man You see

Would Your life be reflected

Would Your life be reflected

Would Jesus be reflected in me?

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