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### WINNER OF PUCKETT'S "RISING STAR 2" IS JOHN SMITH

MAY 5, 2009- FRANKLIN, TN--Puckett's Grocery, an award winning Franklin eatery and live performance venue, is excited to announce the winner of their popular Rising Star singer-songwriter contest is local writer, John Smith.

John, along with other local songwriters, Hilary McBride, Derek Perry, and Holly Cormier performed 4 original songs to

a packed house on Tuesday May 5.

Rising Star creator, Keith Mohr (president of <http://www.indieheaven.com> ) says, "Each of our finalists were excellent! They all possess a gift and talent that was worthy of them being selected as a finalist. What we liked most about John was his authentic creativity and his incredibly witty song "T-A-S-E-R-E-D." The song details the experience a young man had with the law and getting the shock of his life. Very creative, and very funny!

John received a \$500 check from Puckett's Grocery owner and Rising Star co-creator Andy Marshall, and will be a part of a songwriting showcase Friday May 8 at 7PM at Puckett's Grocery in Franklin, TN. Performing that evening will be John, along with with Chris Janson, Cole Deggs and Bart Allmand. Check out the music page for all the details.

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