BEST ALBUM NOTES
A NOTES WRITER’S AWARD
FOR ALBUMS ONLY
SCREENING CRITERIA This category recognizes excellence in album notes writing. Entries must be one piece of original writing written for a specific album (in any genre) and released as part of that album for the first time during the eligibility year. (In the event of a collaboration where more than one writer has signed the same piece of work, a determination of eligibility will be left to the discretion of the Academy.)

Eligible notes must be of literary excellence, originality, and communicativeness and provide relevant exposition of recorded content. Each entry in the category must be predominantly original writing.

Books or booklets written for an album that are simultaneously released separately do qualify.

Notes taken from previously issued books, articles, or reviews are not eligible. Nor are album notes that are simply testimonials, transcripts of prior interviews not specifically created for the current release, brief letters of praise or congratulations.