

Have you registered with SoundExchange?

When the music you recorded in a studio is commercially released and played on Sirius-XM Satellite Radio, Internet radio such as Pandora, Yahoo, Live 365.com and AOL, and on digital cable and satellite TV services like DishNet and DirecTV, SoundExchange most likely collects a royalty on your behalf. Since 2001, SoundExchange has collected and processed over 2 billion performances and paid out nearly \$200 million in digital royalties. But many recording artists are still unaware of this new income stream - and thousands of royalties are going unclaimed.

SoundExchange is a non-profit performance rights organization entrusted by the U.S. Copyright Office to collect and distribute these royalties on behalf of featured and non-featured recording artists, master rights owners (usually record labels), and independent artists who record and own their masters. The royalty collected is split 50% to the owner of the master rights (typically the record label) and 50% to the performers on the sound recording. In order to collect your performer/recording artist share of the royalties, you must register DIRECTLY with SoundExchange. They could already have royalties waiting for you to come and claim them, so please make sure to register with them today! All you have to do is sign up once with SoundExchange. It's free and once you've registered, you will continue to receive royalty payments quarterly, as long as they are due. **These royalties are not collected nor distributed by the record label but instead the artist or their authorized representative must go directly to SoundExchange and complete their standard forms.**

In order to register, go to www.soundexchange.com and download the forms under "Recording Artist." Once they are completed, mail, fax or scan/email them to SoundExchange and you're done! Should you need any additional information or forms, you can contact SoundExchange via email at info@soundexchange.com or by phone at 202.640.5858.