

UMG Nashville Promotes Vipin Reddy To VP Of Streaming



Vipin Reddy. Photo: Chris Hollo

UMG Nashville has elevated **Vipin Reddy** to VP of Streaming. After joining the label group in 2018, Reddy now leads the department. In his new role, he oversees all DSP relationships as well as audio and video streaming strategy for all UMGN artists globally.

Prior to joining UMGN, Reddy was part of the UMG global streaming marketing team. The William & Mary graduate and Fairfax, Virginia native has cultivated strong relationships with UMGN streaming partners and most recently was point on UMGN artist strategy with Apple Music and Pandora.

"From the day he joined the company, Vipin has been an integral part of the streaming team," says UMGN EVP & COO **Mike Harris**. "His deep knowledge of the streaming business has been vital to UMG Nashville's success. We are excited for Vipin step into this leadership role and look forward to the team's continued success."

Under Universal Music Group Nashville's umbrella are imprints Capitol Records Nashville, EMI Records Nashville, MCA Nashville, and Mercury Nashville. Their combined rosters include Alan Jackson, Billy Currington, Boy Named Banjo, Brad Paisley, Brothers Osborne, Carrie Underwood, Catie Offerman, Caylee Hammack, CB30, Chris Stapleton, Dalton Dover, Darius Rucker, Dierks Bentley, Eric Church, George Strait, Hootie & The Blowfish, Jon Langston, Jon Pardi, Jordan Davis, Josh Turner, Kacey Musgraves, Kassi Ashton, Keith Urban, Kip Moore, Kylie Morgan, Little Big Town, Luke Bryan, Luke Grimes, Maddie & Tae, Mickey Guyton, Parker McCollum, Priscilla Block, Reba McEntire, Sam Hunt, Sam Williams, The War And Treaty, Travis Denning, Tyler Hubbard and Vince Gill. **MR**

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WME Acquires True Grit Talent Agency



WME has acquired True Grit Talent Agency. The Austin-based agency's roster includes **Cody Jinks**, **Charles Wesley Godwin**, **Dexter and The Moonrocks**, **Whitey Morgan** and **Ward Davis**.

Members of the True Grit team such as agents **Mike Krug**, **Carrie Creasey** and **Shelby Vanek** have also joined WME and will continue to work out of Austin, Texas.

Through its recent acquisitions of [Red 11 Music](#) and now True Grit Talent Agency, WME has expanded its presence in Texas as well as in the American roots music genre.

"We are very excited that what we do caught the eye of a company like WME," says Krug. "We are proud of all we have built here in Austin and know that joining WME will create exponentially more opportunities for our clients."

"We've long admired the business and roster that True Grit has developed, and we are excited to bring their artists and the team into the WME family and expand WME's footprint in Austin," says **Jay Williams**, WME Partner & Nashville Co-Head. **MR**

Chris Young Exits The AMG

Chris Young is no longer a management client of The AMG (the Artist Management Group.)

Launched in 2019 by **Rob Beckham** and music manager **Bill Simmons**, Young was one of the flagship clients of the new company along with **Brad Paisley**. Beckham formed the new management firm following his exit from WME Nashville as Partner/Co-Head of the agency in 2018.

Young, whose current single "Looking For You" is rising up the charts, has not signed with new representation yet. In addition to Paisley, The AMG represents **Chris Colston**. Another management client, Latin country duo **Kat & Alex**, recently revealed that they are separated musically and romantically. **MR**



Megan Youngblood Joins MCA Nashville As West Coast Promotion Director



Megan Youngblood has been hired as Director of Promotion – West Coast for MCA Nashville.

Youngblood brings over two decades of radio experience to the role including, most recently, six years as the West Coast regional rep for Capitol Records Nashville.

"Megan is a high caliber radio and records pro that exudes passion for our artists and their music," says MCA Nashville VP of Promotion David Friedman. "She is the perfect fit for our team and I'm very excited to have her join MCA."

MCA Nashville's current roster includes Kassi Ashton, Jordan Davis, Vince Gill, Sam Hunt, Kip Moore, Kacey Musgraves, Parker McCollum, Reba McEntire, Catie Offerman, George Strait and Josh Turner. **MR**

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SOURCE Hall Of Fame Inducts Seven 'Women Behind The Music' At 20th Anniversary Event



Pictured (L-R, back row): Marcie Allen Van Mol and Valerie Summers; (L-R, front row): Becky Shanks, Jackie Patillo, Denise Stiff and Janice Jackson. Not Pictured: Renee Bell. Photo: Moments By Moser Photography

Seven more deserving music industry veterans were inducted into the SOURCE Hall of Fame on Tuesday night (Aug. 29) at the Musicians Hall of Fame and Museum in Nashville's historic Municipal Auditorium.

SOURCE Nashville Hall of Fame inductees are nominated and inducted based upon peer recommendations, biographies, accomplishments, reputation, the number of years the individual has worked within the entertainment industry and level of community involvement. All inductees have made a significant impact on the Nashville entertainment industry.

The event that honors seven "Women Behind The Music" marked its 20th anniversary on Tuesday. Country Music Hall of Fame member **Brenda Lee** and Grand Ole Opry Star **Jeannie Seely** hosted the sold-out in-person event.

This year's honorees included **Marcie Allen Van Mol**, **Renee Bell**, **Janice Jackson**, **Jackie Patillo**, **Becky Shanks**, **Denise Stiff** and **Valerie Summers**.

After SOURCE's Hall of Fame Awards Chair, **Erica Rosa**, welcomed everyone to dine, SOURCE President **Mallory Mason-Pascal** got the awards ceremony started. The inductees were honored by their friends, family and peers, as Lee and Seely told the crowd of their extensive accomplishments. Then, a video from a special client or colleague would play to further highlight the honoree's impact.

As usual, Lee and Seely were a hoot, constantly poking fun at each other and others in the audience. Lee has been hosting the SOURCE Awards since her best friend **Kay Smith** established it in 2003. Seely joined her not too long after.

Pictured (L-R, back row): Denise Stiff, Marcie Allen Van Mol, Jackie Patillo and Valerie Summers; (L-R, front row): Becky Shanks, Grand Ole Opry Star/Co-Host Jeannie Seely, Country Music Hall of Fame Member/Co-Host Brenda Lee and Janice Jackson. Not Pictured: Renee Bell. Photo: Moments By Moser Photography

"A lot of women have done a lot of work. That's why we're here," Lee shared. Seely concurred, saying, "I love honoring the women who do the real work behind the scenes."

Van Mol was the first inductee to be honored. Her career has included time at Cellar Door Concerts, William Morris Endeavor (WME), MAD Booking & Events, Creative Artist Agency (CAA), NYU and her own, MAC Presents. The executive recently opened up the new music venue and event space in Hillsboro Village, AB.

Van Mol was honored with some words of praise from the President of Virgin Music, **Jacqueline Saturn**, via a video.

When Van Mol got up to speak, she encouraged those in the room to empower others. She spoke about those who mentored her, including her aunt, former music industry executive **Bebe Evans**.

"If there's one thing I could say to all of you here, it's about giving women an opportunity and giving them a shot," Van Mol said. "I challenge every woman in here to use your voice, use your platform and give every opportunity that you can to the next generation of female leaders because we need them."

Next to be honored was Bell, who was unfortunately ill and not able to attend in person.

Bell impacted the Nashville music industry during her time at MCA and RCA/Sony, working in A&R with some of the brightest stars in country music. One of those stars, **Kenny Chesney**, sent Bell well wishes from somewhere picturesque.

BMI's **Leslie Roberts** accepted the honor on behalf of Bell, reading some notes she had prepared for the occasion. "Thank you to all of the women who paved the way for me," Bell wrote. "To name a few: **Connie Bradley, Donna Hilley, Celia Froehlig, Mary Martin, Martha Sharp** and **Margie Hunt**. Thank you SOURCE for this amazing honor."

Jackson was honored next. Her tenure on Music Row includes stints at ASCAP, Capitol/EMI/Liberty Records, Blendingwell/Sister John Music, Maypop Music Group, Almo/Irving Music, Joe Scaife Productions & Publishing, Copyright Society of the South, Writer's Den Music Group, MCS Music America, Inc., Peermusic and Travellers Hollow Music.

British singer-songwriter **Mark Knopfler** paid his respects to Jackson via video, telling fun stories about his time with her in Nashville.

Jackson used her time at the podium to talk about some of the songwriters and executives she was grateful to have worked with.

"I wouldn't be here without the help and encouragement of so many," she said. "To my fellow SOURCE Hall of Fame inductees, both past and present, allow me to borrow a phrase from **Rodney Crowell**: 'Kudos to you for a job well done.'"

The Gospel Music Association's Patillo was the next to be honored. Before becoming head of the GMA, her career stops included Star Song Communications, Integrity Gospel/Integrity Media, Verity Records and Sony Music Entertainment.

Gospel great **CeCe Winans** congratulated Patillo via video for the honor. When Patillo spoke, she talked about her journey's mountains and valleys.

"I pray all of our stories here tonight will encourage others and continue to shine a light on the important work that women are doing in our industry. God bless you all and to God be the glory," she said.

Shanks was the next to be inducted. She made her mark while working at United Artists Agency/CBS Songs, Maypop Music and Peermusic. **Alabama's Teddy Gentry** congratulated her via video.

When she spoke, Shanks highlighted moments in her career that put stars in her eyes, of which there were many.

"I made the decision in 2014 to retire and spend more time with family and friends—and a little more beach time. I still had stars in my eyes from all of those wonderful memories and a star for each writer that I had hopefully helped along the way," Shanks said. "Tonight I am receiving a very special star and gratefully thank SOURCE for this honor. All those stars will forever brightly shine."



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The next to be honored was Stiff, who impacted the industry while working at GreilWorks, Teena Shirts, BareWorks, Summer Lights, Keith Case and Associates, Scared Stiff Music and Sheehan's Pub Co., Bob Titley Management and

COUNTRYBREAKOUT RADIO CHART

CHART ACTION

New On The Chart —Debuting This Week

song/artist/label—Chart Position

Rich Men North of Richmond/Oliver Anthony - 72

Greatest Spin Increase

song/artist/label—Spin Increase

Thinkin' Bout Me/Morgan Wallen/Big Loud/Mercury/Republic - 162

The Painter/Cody Johnson/CoJo Music/Warner Music Nashville - 159

Cab In A Solo/Scotty McCreery/Triple Tigers Records - 136

God Gave Me A Girl/Russell Dickerson/Triple Tigers Records - 95

Bury Me In Georgia/Kane Brown/RCA Nashville - 91

Most Added

song/artist/label—No. of Adds

The Painter/Cody Johnson/CoJo Music/Warner Music Nashville - 9

Jesus and John Wayne/Alabama feat. The Oak Ridge Boys/Gaither Music Group - 9

Cab In A Solo/Scotty McCreery/Triple Tigers Records - 8

Thinkin' Bout Me/Morgan Wallen/Big Loud/Mercury/Republic - 7

Last Train To Nowhere/Ghost Hounds/Gibson Records - 5

On Deck—Soon To Be Charting

song/artist/label—No. of Spins

Jesus and John Wayne/Alabama feat. The Oak Ridge Boys/Gaither Music Group - 142

Falling Too/Jet Jurgensmeyer/Simba Entertainment - 140

Know That By Now/Randy Rogers Band/Tommy Jackson/Thirty Tigers - 129

Find Me On A Beach/Marie Wise-Hawkins - 129

Hush Little Baby/Ashley Ryan/Spinville Entertainment - 122

NO. 1 SONG



Jason Aldean's "Try That In A Small Town" is the No. 1 songs on the *MusicRow* CountryBreakout Radio Chart after 15 weeks on the chart.

Last month, the controversial song topped the all-genre *Billboard* Hot 100 songs chart, marking Aldean's first Hot 100 No. 1. Written by **Kelley Lovelace**, **Neil Thrasher**, **Tully Kennedy** and **Kurt Allison**, "Try That In A Small Town" notched the largest digital sales week for a country song since Florida Georgia Line's "Cruise" featuring Nelly, released in July of 2013.

"Try That In A Small Town" currently sits at No. 12 on the *Billboard* Country Airplay chart and No. 9 on the Mediabase chart.



Each songwriter and artist earning No. 1 credit on the *MusicRow* Chart receives a *MusicRow* Challenge Coin. Click [here](#) to view a full list of recipients.

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KKMV Rupert, ID

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WRTB Rockford, IL
WFMB Springfield, IL
WIFE Connersville, IN
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KQZQ Pratt, KS
WKDZ Cadiz, KY
WDHR Pikeville, KY
KRRV Alexandria, LA
WKPE Hyannis, MA
KYSM Mankato, MN

WTCM Traverse City, MI
KZPK St. Cloud, MN
KFAV Warrenton, MO
WBBN Laurel, MS
WFAY Fayetteville, NC
KZZY Devils Lake, ND
KYCK Thompson, ND
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KFGE Lincoln, NE
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WDNB Monticello, NY
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WCJW Warsaw, NY
KWOX Woodward, OK
KRKT Albany, OR
KRWQ Medford, OR
WVNW Lewistown, PA
WNBT Mansfield, PA
WCFT Selinsgrove, PA
KZZI Spearfish, SD
WUCZ Carthage, TN
WLLX Lawrenceburg, TN
KFTX Corpus Christi, TX
KYKX Longview, TX

KLLL Lubbock, TX
KXOX Sweetwater, TX
WAKG Danville, VA
WAXX Altoona, WI
WJVL Janesville, WI
WGLR Platteville, WI
WQPC Prairie du Chien, WI
WCOW Sparta, WI
WDGG Huntington, WV

COUNTRYBREAKOUT RADIO CHART

Weeks On Chart	Last Week	This Week	Song / Artist / Label	Spins / Reports	% Spin Power	Spins +/-
15	2	1	Try That In A Small Town / Jason Aldean / Broken Bow	1691/58	5	77
24	4	2	Bury Me In Georgia / Kane Brown / RCA Nashville	1634/46	6	91
16	3	3	Watermelon Moonshine / Lainey Wilson / Broken Bow Records	1600/52	3	48
20	6	4	Religiously / Bailey Zimmerman / Elektra/Warner Music Nashville	1563/48	6	88
10	5	5	Everything I Love / Morgan Wallen / Big Loud/Mercury/Republic	1525/54	3	39
50	7	6	Can't Have Mine / Dylan Scott / Curb	1465/56	1	12
17	1	7	But I Got A Beer In My Hand / Luke Bryan / Capitol Nashville	1421/50	-12	-198
47	10	8	Girl In Mine / Parmalee / Stoney Creek Records	1263/39	5	61
29	9	9	All I Need Is You / Chris Janson / BMLG/Harpeth 60 Records	1216/52	0	3
34	12	10	God Gave Me A Girl / Russell Dickerson / Triple Tigers Records	1182/48	9	95
22	11	11	Creek Will Rise / Conner Smith / Valory	1167/56	2	24
36	13	12	If You Go Down (I'm Goin' Down Too) / Kelsea Ballerini / Black River Entertainment	1083/48	6	59
34	14	13	Stars Like Confetti / Dustin Lynch / Broken Bow Records	1017/46	4	43
7	17	14	Save Me The Trouble / Dan + Shay / Warner Music Nashville	1003/50	8	70
20	16	15	Nobody's Nobody / Brothers Osborne / EMI	965/45	1	9
27	15	16	Light On In The Kitchen / Ashley McBryde / Warner Music Nashville	959/46	-1	-13
6	19	17	White Horse / Chris Stapleton / Mercury Nashville	911/52	8	69
16	18	18	Different 'Round Here / Riley Green (feat. Luke Combs) / BMLG	903/50	3	30
11	20	19	We Don't Fight Anymore / Carly Pearce feat. Chris Stapleton / Big Machine	819/49	2	17
18	22	20	Blacktop Don't / BoomTown Saints / 8 Track Entertainment	790/47	2	14
35	21	21	Fearless / Jackson Dean / Big Machine	784/42	-2	-13
25	23	22	Buy A Bar / Tim Dugger / Curb Records	769/44	0	2
13	24	23	See You Next Summer / Brian Kelley / Big Machine Records	736/42	5	33
12	25	24	Glory Days / Gabby Barrett / Warner Music Nashville	694/41	4	24
35	28	25	We Got History / Mitchell Tenpenny / Riser House Records	641/33	11	64
13	27	26	World On Fire / Nate Smith / Sony Music Nashville	641/38	10	57
14	29	27	Out Of That Truck / Carrie Underwood / Capitol Records	609/38	7	38
13	26	28	On The Boat Again / Jake Owen / Big Loud Records	608/37	4	23
3	37	29	The Painter / Cody Johnson / CoJo Music/Warner Music Nashville	592/37	37	159
15	31	30	Truck Bed / HARDY / Big Loud Records	579/35	5	28
10	30	31	Wine Country / Hannah Ellis / Curb Records	570/39	3	19
11	32	32	Something Real / Dierks Bentley / Capitol Nashville	547/29	4	20
13	34	33	Should've Known Better / Erin Viancourt / Late August Records	495/36	2	9
11	36	34	Burn It Down / Parker McCollum / MCA Nashville	488/31	4	19
22	35	35	Dents On A Chevy / Ty Herndon, Terri Clark / Pivotal Records	461/29	-3	-14
26	33	36	Save The Roses / Lee Brice / Curb	456/27	-8	-37
21	40	37	23 / Chayce Beckham / BMG	449/30	12	48
7	39	38	Pretty Little Poison / Warren Zeiders / Warner Records	434/29	7	30
16	38	39	Make You Mine / MaRynn Taylor / Black River Records	424/32	0	-1

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Weeks On Chart	Last Week	This Week	Song / Artist / Label	Spins / Reports	% Spin Power	Spins +/-
13	43	40	If I Was A Beer / Ken Domash / Thunder Mountain Records	384/22	19	62
20	41	41	State You Left Me In / Jake Worthington / Big Loud	370/24	-2	-8
8	42	42	Drinkin' Problems / Dillon Carmichael / Riser House Records	355/23	3	12
2	66	43	Thinkin' Bout Me / Morgan Wallen / Big Loud/Mercury/Republic	338/17	92	162
10	46	44	Mind On You / George Birge / RECORDS	317/20	10	30
7	44	45	Something's Gonna Kill Me / Corey Kent / RCA Nashville	301/19	0	-1
17	45	46	Wings Of A White Dove / Flat River Band / Early Bird Records	298/20	2	6
5	47	47	I'm Not Pretty / Megan Moroney / Arista Nashville/Columbia Records	291/18	5	15
2	78	48	Cab In A Solo / Scotty McCreery / Triple Tigers Records	278/19	96	136
11	48	49	When The Rodeo Is Over (Where Does The Cowboy Go?) / Tanya Tucker/ Fantasy/Concord	259/16	1	2
15	49	50	Bad Day To Be A Cold Beer / Chase Rice / Dack Janiels/Broken Bow	253/18	0	-1
11	50	51	Brokenhearted / Joe Nichols / Quartz Hill Records	249/15	-1	-2
4	54	52	Country Dance / Aaron Goodvin / Warner Music Canada/Sakamoto Music	241/20	9	19
9	51	53	I'm All In / Glen Shelton / Jordash	238/15	0	1
10	57	54	Blaze A Trail / Ashley Barron / SSM Nashville	236/18	8	18
5	59	55	Outskirts / Sam Hunt / MCA Nashville	233/17	10	21
5	56	56	Girl, I Know A Guy / Alex Miller / Billy Jam Records	232/18	6	14
27	52	57	We Ride / Bryan Martin / Average Joes Entertainment	232/18	0	0
11	55	58	Save Me / Jelly Roll (with Lainey Wilson) / Stoney Creek	230/14	5	11
9	58	59	Used To Be Me / Joe Hermes / OTM Productions	228/16	8	16
14	53	60	Seven Year Ache / Aaron Watson / BIG Label Records	227/16	-1	-3
2	77	61	Tucson Too Late / Jordan Davis / MCA Nashville	216/13	51	73
2	79	62	Last Train To Nowhere / Ghost Hounds / Gibson Records	211/15	51	71
6	67	63	Loser / Mike Ryan / Rock & Soul	193/14	11	19
8	60	64	Honey! / Rayne Johnson / Mountain Road Records	190/16	0	0
7	65	65	Cold Shoulder / Cliff Dorsey / Black Sheep Records	184/10	3	6
16	62	66	Rest In Peace / Taylor Austin Dye / LMG	184/14	-1	-1
7	63	67	Daddy's Home / Ben Calhoun / General Records	180/14	1	1
6	64	68	Let's Take A Ride / Six Gun Sally / Six Gun Sally Music	180/13	1	1
11	61	69	Somebody Else's Whiskey / Frank Ray / Stoney Creek Records	177/12	-6	-12
3	68	70	Hell of a Life / Kylie Frey / Deep Frey'd Music/EWC	176/12	3	5
4	76	71	Crooked Road / Mustangs Of The West / KZZ Music/Blue Élan Records	173/11	18	27
1	90	72	Rich Men North of Richmond / Oliver Anthony	170/8	55	60
7	69	73	I've Just Seen A Face / Val Storey / CDX Records	169/8	0	0
6	72	74	Dance With You / Brett Young / BMLG Records	166/12	4	6
3	70	75	Wait Til I'm Gone / Donice Morace / Bad Jeu Jeu Records/CDX Records	166/13	2	3
6	71	76	Smoke On My Mind / Michael David / Michael David LLC	165/10	2	3
3	87	77	The Dog Won't Hunt / Rusty Gear / Chickahominy Marsh Records	161/7	34	41
8	73	78	High Lonesome Stranger / CIMARRON 615 / Blue Elan Records/KZZ Music	159/9	1	2
14	74	79	Wind Up / Josh Mirenda / Average Joes	145/12	-1	-2
11	75	80	Giving Up On That / Dalton Dover / Mercury Records	143/11	-3	-4

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DS Management. Longtime client and friend **Alison Krauss**, alongside **Robert Plant**, congratulated her in a funny, musical video.

True to her heart as an artist manager, Stiff used a lot of her time at the podium to speak about the talent she had gotten to work with as a manager and as an Executive Music Producer on O Brother, Where Art Thou?

"I am so grateful for it all. I'm grateful for all of the incredibly artists I was privileged to work with and for all of the people who helped me along the way."

Summers was the final honoree to be inducted. Her career has included time at William Morris Agency, Inc./WME, Destination Music/Gary Musick Production and Arrington Vineyards.

Summers was honored with a video message from **Kirk Franklin**. When she spoke, she recognized the friends and colleagues who had lifted her up along the way.

Summers recognized her friend **Chevy Nash** for helping her to see her potential. "She was the first person to encourage me to have a career," Summers said. "She encouraged me to not be a stupid blonde from Oklahoma and learn about business, how to be better at what I do and how to embrace music." **MR**

Beau Bailey Joins Tape Room Music In Partnership With Red Light Management



Pictured (L-R): Tape Room's Caroline Hodson, Ashley Gorley, Blain Rhodes, Beau Bailey and Tape Room's Kelly Bolton.
Photo: Courtesy of @musiccitymom

Artist-songwriter **Beau Bailey** has signed with **Ashley Gorley's** Tape Room Music in partnership with Red Light Management.

Bailey's signing follows [the announcement of Tape Room's strategic partnership with Red Light Ventures and Firebird Music](#). This joint venture combines Tape Room's award-winning songwriting skills with Red Light and Firebird's proven track records of success in developing artists.

The Monroe, Louisiana native started writing and playing guitar at age 15. In January of 2020, he made his way to Music City with his pop-rock band, **The Revelries**, and secured a record deal with UMG Nashville.

After the group disbanded over health-related challenges, Bailey narrowed his focus on strengthening his songwriting skills. Over the past year, his independent efforts have led to country and pop cuts with **Graham Barham**, **Kasey**

Tyndall, **Mary Jo Young**, **Eddie And The Getaway**, **Lecade** and more.

"Beau's tenacity, creative instincts and passion make him a perfect addition to the Tape Room roster," says **Kelly Bolton**, Tape Room Music Senior Vice President, A&R. "We couldn't be more excited to have him on our team and we are ready to get to work!"

"Being a part of the Tape Room family is such an honor and I find myself having to pinch my arm to make sure this is reality," shares Bailey. "Ashley is my songwriting hero, and he's written the soundtrack to my life, so to have the opportunity to work beside him and learn from him is nothing short of amazing. Kelly, **Blain [Rhodes]** and **Caroline [Hodson]** are the best in the business and immediately made me feel like I was exactly where I was supposed to be. I'm beyond blessed to have such great people in my corner and I can't wait to see what the future holds." **MR**

Anthem Entertainment Signs Joey Hyde [Exclusive]



Anthem Entertainment has signed multi-Platinum songwriter **Joey Hyde** to a worldwide publishing deal under its Anthem Music Publishing division.

Hyde scored his first Platinum hit in 2020 with the **Jake Owen**-recorded “Made For You,” which he co-wrote alongside **Benjy Davis** and **Neil Medley**. The single achieved Certified Gold status in Canada and claimed the No. 1 spot on country radio in both the U.S. and Canada.

Hyde has also had songs cut by **Walker Montgomery**, **Luke Dick**, **Sam Grow**, **Lindsay Ell** and **Ryan Hurd**, and was nominated for MusicRow Magazine’s Breakthrough Songwriter of the Year award in 2021. He was also listed on MusicRow’s Top 100 Songwriters of 2021.

“Joey is someone I have wanted to work with for over ten years. He is an incredible talent, such a hard worker, and always brings the fun,” shares **Courtney Crist**, Senior Director of Creative at Anthem Music Publishing. “We were able to celebrate a No. 1 together with ‘Made For You’ (Jake Owen), and we at Anthem, can’t wait to celebrate more. We are so excited to have Joey join our roster!”

“I’m so excited to start this new chapter of my career with Anthem,” shares Hyde. “I’ve been working with Courtney for almost a decade, and I’m thrilled to get to make it official finally. The whole team is killer. **Gilles [Godard]** dresses cool. **Noah [Dewey]** is a bro. **Chandler [Thurston]** is a cutie. Gonna be great.” **MR**

Amanda Cates To Exit Maverick Nashville



Maverick Nashville’s Head of Artist Services **Amanda Cates** is leaving her position at the company at the end of the month. She will be taking on consulting projects after her exit.

Cates joined **Clarence Spalding**’s artist management company, Spalding Entertainment, in 2009 to focus on building out the digital department, which has since become artist services. Now Maverick Nashville, the company’s roster includes **Jason Aldean**, **Brooks & Dunn**, **Darius Rucker**, **Rascal Flatts** and more.

Cates reflects, “It’s been such a pleasure working with each of you over the years, and I consider myself the luckiest to have had the opportunity to be a part of all the amazing things we’ve done together for our artists. My near term plans are to take a little break from the management world and consult a bit, but know I’ll be cheering you all on from the sidelines.”

While at Maverick, Cates oversaw all marketing initiatives, new business development, DSP and record label functions, artist content creation, e-commerce, social and fan engagement for the company’s roster of high-profile country music clients.

Cates is a North Carolina native and an Appalachian State University graduate. She began her career in Raleigh, North Carolina at an artist management firm. She then made her way to a Seattle-based, venture-funded mobile entertainment startup before heading to Nashville as a digital marketing consultant in artist management. **MR**

Sheltered Music & Dann Huff Sign Ben Daniel



Pictured (L-R): Sheltered Music's Freeman Wizer, Dann Huff, Ben Daniel and Sheltered Music's Darrell

Sheltered Music has signed songwriter **Ben Daniel** to a publishing deal through a joint venture with producer **Dann Huff**.

Daniel got his start in songwriting learning from mentor **Jeff Carlton**, whose expertise steered multiple companies to chart-topping success. He then signed his first publishing deal with producer **Byron Gallimore**. He draws from his small-town roots of back pews and back roads, and mixes them with his musical skills. That mixture has led to cuts with country talent including Jake Owen, Brett Eldredge, Tyler Farr, Josh Turner, Parmalee and more.

"When I first met Ben, he was performing solo guitar and I was immediately struck by his incredible musicality," Huff shares. "After we got talking, I asked to hear some of his music. He gave me a few CDs and I immediately fell in love with his writing! I'm so excited that he wants to work with us. He is a big talent and a soulful person."

"In my 20-plus years of working with Dann Huff, he's only raised his hand to say he has a writer he wanted me to sign twice. Ben Daniel is that second writer. It was obvious when I heard the music why we needed to make this happen," says Sheltered Music Senior Vice President of Creative **Darrell Franklin**.

"I'm blessed to get to work with such a great team!" Daniel exclaims. "Thanks to Dann Huff for believing in me and sharing my music with the team at Sheltered [Music]. I know this is gonna be a killer ride. Sheltered has a great roster and I'm so honored to be a part of it!" **MR**

Connor McCutcheon Signs With Spirit Music Nashville/Fluid Music Revolution



Pictured (L-R, front row): Andy Hodges, AJ Burton, Connor McCutcheon, Frank Rogers and Kara Jackson; (L-R, back row): Kennedy Murphy, Brian Bradford, Cole Perry, Austin Wells and McKenzie Boyd

Connor McCutcheon has signed a worldwide publishing deal with Spirit Music Nashville/Fluid Music Revolution.

The Nashville singer-songwriter has opened for artists **Gary LeVox**, **Trey Lewis** and **Mitch Rossell**, and headlined his own shows, bringing a contagious energy to all. He has performed at the Music City Grand Prix Riverfront and iHeart Radio Stages, Whiskey Jam and the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum.

"We are very excited to welcome Connor McCutcheon to Spirit/Fluid," says **Frank Rogers**, Chief Creative Officer, Spirit Music Group & Chief Executive Officer, Spirit Music Nashville. "Connor has the ability to write songs that draw you in lyrically and then deliver those songs with an honest, unique voice. We feel the sky is the limit for Connor both as a songwriter and an artist."

"It's not every day a talent like Connor enters your radar," states **AJ Burton**, Vice President, Spirit Music Nashville/Fluid Music Revolution. "Kid is a born entertainer, has an impeccable drive to succeed and is a great storyteller. This is gonna be a fun ride!"

"I couldn't be more excited to join the Spirit Music Nashville/Fluid Music Revolution team! From the first time I met Frank, AJ and the rest of the team, I knew they were building something special," shares McCutcheon. "I feel so blessed to have a team that believes in me just as much as I believe in them. Can't wait to get to work!" **MR**

DISClaimer Single Reviews: Walker Hayes Delivers Delightful ‘Hillbilly Earworm’



The country music scene is rocking this week.

Blasting into the dog days of summer with tempo tunes are **Dan + Shay, Robyn Ottolini, Justin Moore, Reyna Roberts, Breland** and our Disc of the Day winner, **Walker Hayes**.

DISClaimer also has a Latin tinge this week thanks to contributions from **Stephanie Urbina Jones** and **Andrea Vasquez**, the latter of whom takes home the DISCOVERY Award.

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Range Media Partners Adds William Lowery & Shawn McSpadden To Leadership Teams



William Lowery, Shawn McSpadden

Range Media Partners has hired Nashville-based executives **William Lowery** and **Shawn McSpadden**. At Range, Lowery will focus on business development ventures and content opportunities, while McSpadden will be charged with growing the division's already robust music division, talent roster and shared services department as the newest Managing Partner. Both will remain in Nashville.

Lowery comes to Range from his venture advisory firm Brigade Media Capital, which has interests in a portfolio of media companies across production, sports, music and consumer products. Last year, Brigade financed three feature films, helped launch a **Dolly Parton** NFT and brokered her first South by Southwest performance and activation. Prior to forming Brigade, Lowery was a senior executive at Endeavor Content, where he ran its faith-based division and identified music and content crossover opportunities. Lowery brings with him his roster of clients.

McSpadden joins Range from Red Light Management, where he was a founding manager at the Nashville office. For 17 years he oversaw music publishing, outside business ventures and managed artists across multiple genres. As Range Nashville's first Managing Partner, McSpadden is leading the build-out of its services and supporting its roster that includes **Midland, Hailey Whitters, Stephen Wilson Jr, Ryan Bingham, Drayton Farley, Brent Cobb** and others.

"I have known Will for years and we were always circling similar ideas," says **Matt Graham**, Range Music Founding Partner/Range Media Partners Co-Founder. "I am thrilled to have him join our team at Range to help identify IP and talent that can plug into our wider business opportunities and content plays. Shawn is a newer relationship, but I knew immediately after meeting him and learning of his diverse music background that he was exactly the sort of culture fit and well-rounded executive we needed to help build out our partnership and services in new areas. He's a team player who believes deeply in the importance of mentorship and has done an incredible job of supporting our existing Nashville team members."

"It's been extraordinary to witness Range's rise and expansion in the midst of all the turbulence in the world, so partnering with them for a new regional focus is an honor," adds Lowery, now SVP of Partnerships and Business Development. "We plan to be a disruptive force here in Nashville and the surrounding markets, and the scope of services provided will be a first of its kind, and much needed resource for content creators and media investors in this region."

"I love being a part of a team! The culture at Range is amazing and the people are always pushing to be better, and think differently about our artists," shares McSpadden. "We are building something exciting and are excited for Range to expand their community."

Since its inception a little over two years ago, Range Media Partners has launched its own label in partnership with Capitol Music Group (CMG) and Virgin Music & Artist Label Services (Virgin), and represents a wide range of talent including **Jack Harlow, Saweetie, Justin Tranter, Cordae, Murda Beatz, Nova Wav, Nicky Romero, D Smoke, PARTYNEXTDOOR, Lauv, MAX, HARV, Sean Douglas, Wondagurl, Rich the Kid, Yola, Eric Bellinger, Tkay Maidza, Pentatonix** and more. The company also represents award-winning actors and filmmakers. **MR**

TOP SONGWRITER CHART

This Week	Last Week	Songwriter's Name	Song(s)	Artist
1	1	Ashley Gorley	All I Need Is You Cowgirls Everything I Love Girl In Mine God Gave Me A Girl Last Night Save Me The Trouble Thinkin' Bout Me Truck Bed World On Fire	Chris Janson Morgan Wallen (feat. ERNEST) Morgan Wallen Parmalee Russell Dickerson Morgan Wallen Dan + Shay Morgan Wallen Hardy Nate Smith
2	2	Tracy Chapman	Fast Car	Luke Combs
3		Christopher Anthony Lunsford	Ain't Gotta Dollar I've Got To Get Sober Rich Men North Of Richmond	Oliver Anthony Music Oliver Anthony Music Oliver Anthony Music
4	3	Taylor Swift	Back To December (Taylor's Version) Enchanted (Taylor's Version) I Can See You (Taylor's Version) (From the Vault) Mine (Taylor's Version)	Taylor Swift Taylor Swift Taylor Swift Taylor Swift
5	4	Jordan Schmidt	Bury Me In Georgia Drinkaby Watermelon Moonshine We Got History	Kane Brown Cole Swindell Lainey Wilson Mitchell Tenpenny
6	5	Ryan Vojtesak	Cowgirls Everything I Love Last Night Thinkin' Bout Me	Morgan Wallen (feat. ERNEST) Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen
7	6	Chase McGill	Ain't That Some But I Got A Beer In My Hand Creek Will Rise God Gave Me A Girl Next Thing You Know	Morgan Wallen Luke Bryan Conner Smith Russell Dickerson Jordan Davis
8	8	Jason DeFord	Need A Favor Save Me	Jelly Roll Jelly Roll with Lainey Wilson
9	7	John Byron	Last Night Thinkin' Bout Me	Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen
10	10	Julian Bunetta	Angels Don't Always Have Wings If You Go Down (I'm Going Down Too)	Thomas Rhett Kelsea Ballerini
11	11	Josh Thompson	Angels Don't Always Have Wings Stars Like Confetti	Thomas Rhett Dustin Lynch
12	12	Thomas Rhett	Angels Don't Always Have Wings Stars Like Confetti	Thomas Rhett Dustin Lynch
13	13	Dan Isbell	Fires Don't Start Themselves Love You Anyway	Darius Rucker Luke Combs
14	14	Michael Hardy	Drinkaby See You Next Summer Truck Bed	Cole Swindell Brian Kelley Hardy
15	15	Luke Combs	Love You Anyway	Luke Combs
16	16	Ray Fulcher	Love You Anyway	Luke Combs
17	19	Chayce Beckham	23	Chayce Beckham
18	20	John Pierce	Giving Up On That Your Heart Or Mine	Dalton Dover Jon Pardi
19	22	Dan Wilson	White Horse	Chris Stapleton
20	23	Chris Stapleton	White Horse	Chris Stapleton
21	24	Justin Ebach	Your Heart Or Mine	Jon Pardi
22	25	Bart Butler	Your Heart Or Mine	Jon Pardi

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23	21	Zach Crowell	God Gave Me A Girl Outskirts Stars Like Confetti	Russell Dickerson Sam Hunt Dustin Lynch
24	28	Lainey Wilson	Watermelon Moonshine	Lainey Wilson
25	29	Josh Kear	Watermelon Moonshine	Lainey Wilson
26	26	Hunter Phelps	Drinkaby Truck Bed	Cole Swindell Hardy
27	27	Taylor Phillips	Thinkin' Bout Me World On Fire	Morgan Wallen Nate Smith
28	31	Rob Ragosta	Need A Favor	Jelly Roll
29	32	Joe Ragosta	Need A Favor	Jelly Roll
30	33	Austin Nivarel	Need A Favor	Jelly Roll
31	30	Jacob Kasher	Last Night	Morgan Wallen
32	34	Josh Hoge	Bury Me In Georgia	Kane Brown
33	35	Matt McGinn	Bury Me In Georgia	Kane Brown
34	36	Kane Brown	Bury Me In Georgia	Kane Brown
35	45	Shane McAnally	If You Go Down (I'm Going Down Too) We Don't Fight Anymore	Kelsea Ballerini Carly Pearce feat. Chris Stapleton
36	37	Geoff Warburton	But I Got A Beer In My Hand	Luke Bryan
37	38	Matt Dragstrem	But I Got A Beer In My Hand	Luke Bryan
38	41	Kurt Allison	Try That In A Small Town	Jason Aldean
39	42	Tully Kennedy	Try That In A Small Town	Jason Aldean
40	43	Kelley Lovelace	Try That In A Small Town	Jason Aldean
41	44	Neil Thrasher	Try That In A Small Town	Jason Aldean
42		Ryan Larkins	The Painter	Cody Johnson
43		Kat Higgins	The Painter	Cody Johnson
44		Benjy Davis	The Painter	Cody Johnson
45	61	David Ray Stevens	Save Me	Jelly Roll with Lainey Wilson
46	46	Jaten Dimsdale	Angels Don't Always Have Wings	Thomas Rhett
47	47	Patrick Murphy	Standing Room Only	Tim McGraw
48	48	Tommy Cecil	Standing Room Only	Tim McGraw
49	49	Craig Wiseman	Standing Room Only	Tim McGraw
50	52	Ernest Keith Smith	Cowgirls Everything I Love	Morgan Wallen (feat. ERNEST) Morgan Wallen
51	39	Geno Seale	In Your Love	Tyler Childers
52	40	Tyler Childers	In Your Love	Tyler Childers
53	53	Bailey Zimmerman	Religiously	Bailey Zimmerman
54	54	Austin Shawn	Religiously	Bailey Zimmerman
55	55	Frank Romano	Religiously	Bailey Zimmerman
56	56	Marty James	Religiously	Bailey Zimmerman
57	57	Alex Palmer	Religiously	Bailey Zimmerman
58	58	Bryan Simpson	Everything She Ain't	Hailey Whitters
59	59	Ryan Tyndell	Everything She Ain't	Hailey Whitters
60	60	Hailey Whitters	Everything She Ain't	Hailey Whitters

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Single/Track Releases

September 1

Colt Ford & Krizz Kaliko/*Big Yeah*/Average Joes Entertainment

Riley Green/*Damn Country Music*/BMLG Records

Parmalee/*Boyfriend*/Stoney Creek Records

September 5

Jelly Roll/*Save Me (with Lainey Wilson)*/Stoney Creek Records

Pat Boone & Crystal Gayle/*You and I*/The Gold Label

September 6

Wyatt Putman/*Back Road Country Music (feat. Frank Foster)*

Album/EP Releases

September 1

Larry Fleet/*Earned It*/Big Loud Records

September 8

Ashley McBryde/*The Devil I Know*/Warner Music Nashville

Josh Turner/*Greatest Hits*/MCA Nashville

Tyler Childers/*Rustin' In The Rain*/Hickman Holler Records/RCA Records

Jon Langston/*Heart On Ice*/32 Bridge Entertainment/EMI Records Nashville

Reyna Roberts/*Bad Girl Bible: Vol. 1*/EMPIRE Nashville

Allison Russell/*The Returner*/Fantasy Records

Steep Canyon Rangers/*Morning Shift*

Pat Boone/*Country Jubilee*/The Gold Label

Industry Events

September 12

MusicRow Awards (Online)

September 19-23

AmericanaFest

September 20

Americana Honors & Awards