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Coming Soon: The 56th *Academy of Country Music Awards*



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The 56th *Academy of Country Music Awards* are less than a month away. Honoring the biggest names and emerging talent in country music, the 56th *ACM Awards* will broadcast live from three iconic country music venues: the Grand Ole Opry House, Nashville's historic Ryman Auditorium and The Bluebird Cafe on Sunday, April 18 (8:00-11:00 PM, live ET/ delayed PT) on the CBS Television Network.

Voting for the 56th *ACM Awards* opened on March 17, and closes Wednesday, March 24.

Maren Morris and **Chris Stapleton** lead the nominations with six each.

Stapleton, **Luke Bryan**, **Eric Church**, **Luke Combs**, and **Thomas Rhett** are nominated for the top honor, Entertainer of the Year.

Reigning Entertainer of the Year Rhett has four nominations, including his second nomination for Entertainer of the Year.

Combs and Stapleton are both nominees for Entertainer of the Year. A win for either artist in that category will also clinch the coveted Triple Crown Award, which consists of an Entertainer of the Year win, plus wins in an act's respective New Artist (male, female, or duo or group) and Artist (male, female, duo or group) categories.

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THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

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*Female Artist
of the Year*

*Music Event
of the Year*

*"I Hope You're Happy Now"
Carly Pearce + Lee Brice*

*Single
of the Year*

*"I Hope You're Happy Now"
Carly Pearce + Lee Brice*

*"...her most powerful
music yet."*

- **E**ONLINE

*"the Carly Pearce we've been impatiently
waiting to reveal herself finally emerges."*

- Saving Country Music

*"one of the most vital country
projects of the new year"*

billboard

*"29 feels like an homage to country music's songwriting giants and
the radio-friendly art that characterized the Nineties country boom."*

- RollingStone

*"In experiencing the most grueling year of her life, Carly Pearce
delivered some of the best music of her career."*

- Tennessean.
USA TODAY NETWORK



Morris, **Kelsea Ballerini**, **Miranda Lambert**, **Ashley McBryde**, and **Carly Pearce** are up for Female Artist of the Year.

Reigning Female Artist of the Year Morris has six nominations, with “The Bones” nominated for both Song of the Year and Single of the Year. She is additionally nominated for songwriter of “The Bones,” her first time receiving a nomination both as an artist and songwriter for Song of the Year. Morris is also a nominee for Female Artist of the Year, marking the 5th time she has been nominated in this category, and for Music Video of the Year for the first time. In addition, she is a nominee for Group of the Year alongside The Highwomen.

Lambert continues her streak as the most nominated female artist in Academy history with 68 lifetime nominations. She is a five-time nominee for the 56th ACM Awards, with four nominations for “Bluebird.” “Bluebird” is nominated for Single of the Year, Video of the Year, and Song of the Year. Lambert received an additional nomination as songwriter. In addition, she received her 15th nomination for Female Artist of the Year, a category she’s won nine times.

Male Artist of the Year nominees include Church, Rhett, Combs, Stapleton and **Dierks Bentley**.

Reigning Male Artist of the Year Combs is a nominee for Entertainer of the Year and Male Artist of the Year, and first-time nominee for Music Event of the Year for his duet with Church on “Does to Me.”

Brooks & Dunn, **Brothers Osborne**, **Dan + Shay**, **Florida Georgia Line**, and **Maddie & Tae** make up the Duo of the Year nominees. Dan + Shay have taken home the honor for the last two years.

Group of the Year nominees include **Lady A**, **Little Big Town**, **Old Dominion**, **The Cadillac Three**, and **The Highwomen**.

Reigning Group of the Year, Old Dominion, received two nominations, including their 6th nomination in the Group of the Year category. Band member Matthew Ramsey received an additional nomination as a songwriter for “Some People Do.”



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Other ACM nominees include:

Album of the Year:

Born Here, Live Here, Die Here, Luke Bryan (Producers: Jeff Stevens, Jody Stevens)

Mixtape Vol. 1, Kane Brown (Producers: Andrew Goldstein, Charlie Handsome, Dann Huff, Lindsay Rimes)

Never Will, Ashley McBryde (Producer: Jay Joyce)

Skeletons, Brothers Osborne (Producer: Jay Joyce)

Starting Over, Chris Stapleton (Producers: Chris Stapleton, Dave Cobb)

Single of the Year:

"Bluebird," Miranda Lambert (Producer: Jay Joyce)

"I Hope," Gabby Barrett (Producers: Ross Copperman, Zach Kale)

"I Hope You're Happy Now," Carly Pearce and Lee Brice (Producer: Busbee)

"More Hearts Than Mine," Ingrid Andress (Producers: Ingrid Andress, Sam Ellis)

"The Bones," Maren Morris (Producer: Greg Kurstin)

Song of the Year:

"Bluebird," Miranda Lambert (Songwriters: Luke Dick, Miranda Lambert, Natalie Hemby)

"One Night Standards," Ashley McBryde (Songwriter: Ashley McBryde, Nicolette Hayford, Shane McAnally)

"Some People Do," Old Dominion (Songwriter: Jesse Frasure, Matt Ramsey, Thomas Rhett, Shane McAnally)

"Starting Over," Chris Stapleton (Songwriter: Chris Stapleton, Mike Henderson)

"The Bones," Maren Morris (Songwriter: Jimmy Robbins, Maren Morris, Laura Veltz)

Video of the Year:

"Better Than We Found It," Maren Morris (Director: Gabrielle Woodland. Producers: Sarah Kunin, Jennifer Pepke)

"Bluebird," Miranda Lambert (Director: Trey Fanjoy. Producer: Heather Levenstone)

"Gone," Dierks Bentley (Directors: Wes Edwards, Ed Pryor, Travis Nicholson, Running Bear and Sam Siske, with animation by Skylar Wilson. Producer: David Garcia)

"Hallelujah," Carrie Underwood and John Legend (Director: Randee St. Nicholas. Producer: Greg Wells)

"Worldwide Beautiful," Kane Brown (Director: Alex Alvga. Producer: Christen Pinkston)

Music Event of the Year:

"Be a Light," Thomas Rhett featuring Reba McEntire, Hillary Scott, Chris Tomlin, Keith Urban

"Does to Me," Luke Combs feat. Eric Church

"I Hope You're Happy Now," Carly Pearce and Lee Brice

"Nobody But You," Blake Shelton feat. Gwen Stefani

"One Beer," Hardy feat. Lauren Alaina and Devin Dawson

"One Too Many," Keith Urban and Pink

Songwriter of the Year:

Ashley Gorley

Michael Hardy

Hillary Lindsey

Shane McAnally

Josh Osborne





5-time ACM Award winner **Keith Urban**, and New Female Artist of the Year nominee **Mickey Guyton**, will host the 56th *ACM Awards*.

This will mark a return for Urban as host, and Guyton’s first time with hosting duties.

“I’m beyond thrilled to be co-hosting with my friend Mickey,” says Urban. “I love that finally everyone will get to see her infectious energy and uber creative spirit in full light.”

“Last year I had the opportunity to perform at the *Academy of Country Music*

Awards with someone I long admired, Keith Urban, and this year I am incredibly excited to share hosting duties with him,” says Guyton. “As I’ve said before ‘if you can see it, you can be it,’ and it’s such an honor to step onto the ACM stage as the first ever Black woman to host the show. Over the years, the Academy of Country Music has always been a home for me through opportunities both onstage and throughout their work on diversity and inclusion. This is a moment of great significance for me and I am so thrilled to share it with all the fans.”

Urban is nominated in the Music Event of the Year Category for his collaboration with P!nk on his latest single, “One Too Many,” for which he received an additional nomination as the song’s producer. He is also nominated for his collaboration with Thomas Rhett, Reba McEntire, Hillary Scott, and Chris Tomlin on “Be A Light.” To date, Urban has won 15 Academy of Country Music Awards, securing his first win in 2001.

Guyton was nominated for her first ACM Award in 2016 for New Female Vocalist. This last year, she performed her first solo *ACM Awards* performance of “What Are You Gonna Tell Her?” with labelmate Urban’s accompaniment on piano. She is up for New Female Artist of the Year at this year’s awards. **MR**

Warner Chappell Music And Amped Entertainment Sign Track45’s KK Johnson

Multi-faceted songwriter-producer **KK Johnson** has signed a global publishing deal with Warner Chappell Music Nashville and Amped Entertainment. Johnson is a member of the Stoney Creek Records/BBR Music Group act **Track45**.

The Mississippi sibling trio recently released *Big Dreams*, a follow up to their first EP, *Small Town*. The group’s first single “Met Me Now,” was the No. 1 most added song on its add week. Track45 was named one of Amazon Music’s Artists to Watch in 2021.

“I’m so excited to continue my songwriting journey with Amped Entertainment and Warner Chappell Music,” says Johnson. “I truly feel like I’m surrounded by not only the smartest and most incredibly hardworking team of people, but also the most kind, empowering individuals who share my pure love for music!” **MR**



Pictured (L-R): Missi Gallimore (Amped Entertainment), Ben Vaughn (Warner Chappell Music), Christina Wiltshire (WCM), Breanna Sill (Amped), KK Johnson, Jenna Johnson (Track45), Ben Johnson (Track45), Christian Barker (Attorney)

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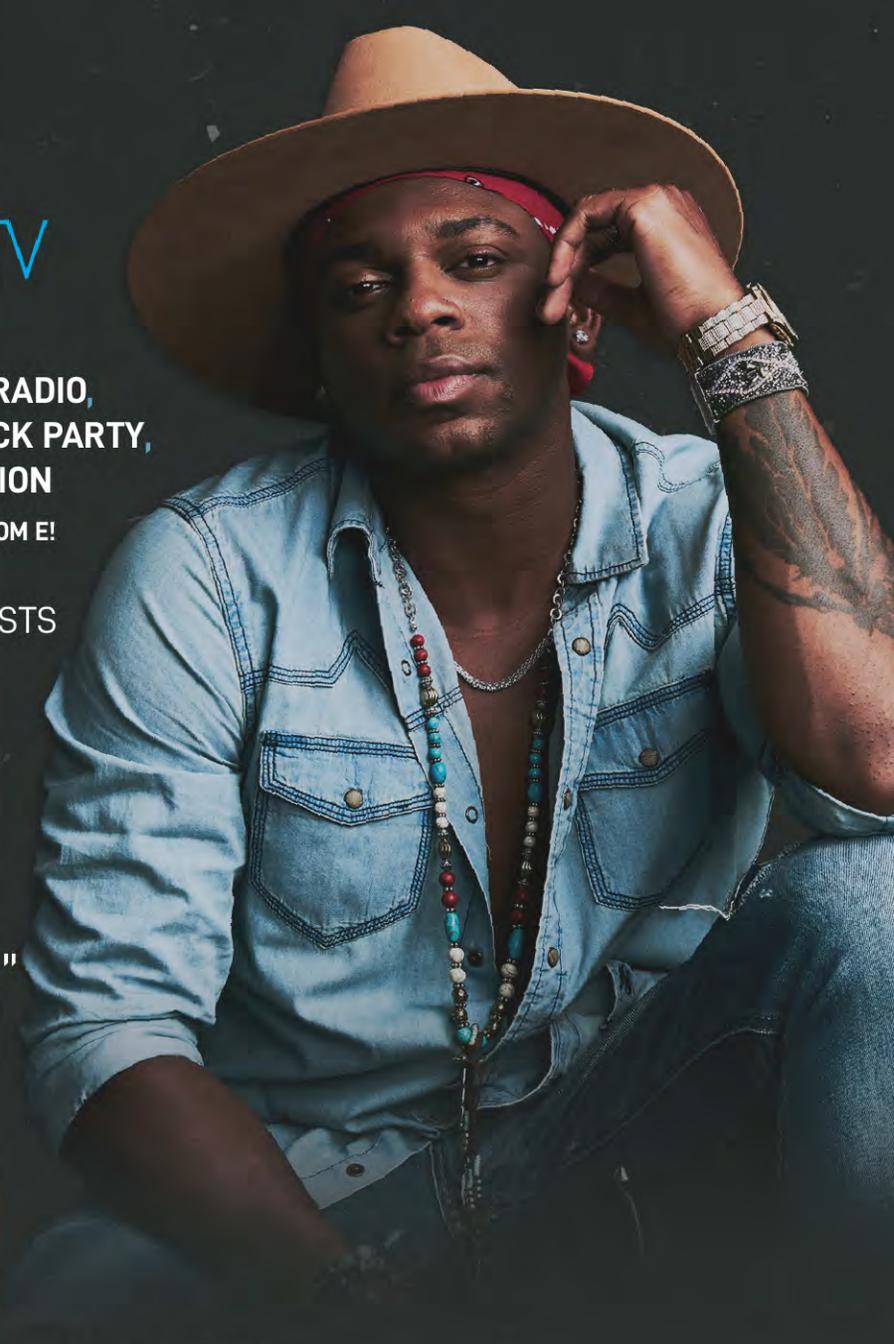
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REMAINING COMFORTABLE."

- JIMMIE ALLEN

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Jim Catino To Exit Sony Music Nashville



Executive **Jim Catino** will exit Sony Music Nashville when his contract ends on July 1, 2021.

In an email obtained by *MusicRow*, Catino shared that he will leave the company to pursue his own music venture in publishing and artist development. “This is something I have wanted to do for some time, but it’s always been hard to make that move because I love this place so much. So it is bitter sweet,” Catino writes.

Sony Music Nashville Chairman & CEO, **Randy Goodman** writes of Catino, “He has made an indelible mark on the amazing legacy of Sony Music Nashville and thus we all owe him a great debt of gratitude.”

Most recently Executive Vice President of A&R, Catino joined the label group in 2001.

Catino is a Belmont graduate whose career includes time spent at MCA Music Publishing, Giant Records and Publishing, and DreamWorks Publishing. **MR**

NSAI Promotes Jennifer Turnbow To COO



The Nashville Songwriters Association International (NSAI) announced staff hirings and promotions, including the promotion of **Jennifer Turnbow** to Chief Operating Officer.

Turnbow will continue to oversee the day-to-day operations and finances of NSAI, serve as a legislative advocate for songwriters, co-direct NSAI’s annual fundraiser, the Tin Pan South Songwriters Festival, and produce the Nashville Songwriter Awards. She has been with NSAI for 16 years. Turnbow is a graduate of Leadership Music, and was honored as part of the 2019 class of MusicRow’s Rising Women on the Row.

“Jennifer Turnbow is one of the leading advocates for American songwriters. In addition, she oversees the Tin Pan South songwriters festival, the Nashville Songwriter Awards and much more. Her promotion is well deserved,” says **Bart Herbison**, NSAI executive director.

NSAI also announced **Aubree Neal** has assumed the role of Director of Development, **Chloe Dubrovay** joins NSAI as Executive Assistant for Herbison and Turnbow, and **Megan Harris** has transitioned from Receptionist to Membership Representative. **MR**

CONGRATS TO OUR ACM AWARD NOMINEES

FEMALE ARTIST OF THE YEAR
ASHLEY MCBRYDE

DUO OF THE YEAR
DAN + SHAY

NEW MALE ARTIST OF THE YEAR
CODY JOHNSON

NEW FEMALE ARTIST OF THE YEAR
INGRID ADDRESS
GABBY BARRETT

SINGLE OF THE YEAR
INGRID ADDRESS - "MORE HEARTS THAN MINE"
(ADDITIONAL NOMINATION FOR PRODUCER CREDIT)
GABBY BARRETT - "I HOPE"

ALBUM OF THE YEAR
ASHLEY MCBRYDE - *NEVER WILL*

SONG OF THE YEAR
ASHLEY MCBRYDE - "ONE NIGHT STANDARDS"
(SONGWRITERS: ASHLEY MCBRYDE, NICOLETTE HAYFORD, SHANE McANALLY)

MUSIC EVENT OF THE YEAR
BLAKE SHELTON - "NOBODY BUT YOU" (DUET WITH GWEN STEFANI)
(PRODUCER: SCOTT HENDRICKS)
HARDY FEAT. LAUREN ALAINA AND DEVIN DAWSON - "ONE BEER"



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COUNTRYBREAKOUT RADIO CHART

CHART ACTION

New On The Chart —Debuting This Week

song/artist/label—Chart Position

Like A Lady/Lady A/BMLG — 58

Homesick/Veronika/Whattaguy Music — 80

Greatest Spin Increase

song/artist/label—Spin Increase

Like A Lady/Lady A/BMLG — 265

Forever After All/Luke Combs/River House Artists/Columbia Nashville — 189

Things A Man Oughta Know/Lainey Wilson/Broken Bow — 142

The Good Ones/Gabby Barrett/Warner Music Nashville — 141

Knowing You/Kenny Chesney/Blue Chair Records/Warner Music Nashville — 136

Glad You Exist/Dan + Shay/Warner Music Nashville/WAR — 124

Famous Friends/Chris Young & Kane Brown/RCA Nashville — 77

Most Added

song/artist/label—No. of Adds

Like A Lady/Lady A/BMLG — 25

Things A Man Oughta Know/Lainey Wilson/Broken Bow — 9

My Masterpiece/Darius Rucker/Capitol — 8

Knowing You/Kenny Chesney/Blue Chair Records/Warner Music Nashville — 6

You're Gonna Love Me/Tim Dugger/Curb — 4

I Can't/Caitlyn Smith feat. Old Dominion/Monument Records — 4

Gettin' Her Over You/Bobby Wills/Willing — 4

Getting Over Him/Lauren Alaina feat. Jon Pardi/Mercury Nashville — 4

Show Off/Queeva/CMD Music — 4

On Deck—Soon To Be Charting

song/artist/label—No. of Spins

Camp Jackson/Michael B. Whit — 156

Hands On The Bible/Chelsey James — 154

It Goes So Fast/Dwain Messer/N Crowd Music — 139

Lonely Girl/Danny Kensy/Rad Records — 134

Stay Gone/Dawn Marie — 129

NO. 1 SONG

GABBY BARRETT

THE GOOD ONES



Gabby Barrett earns the No. 1 spot this week on the *MusicRow* CountryBreakout Radio Chart with “The Good Ones.” The single was written by Barrett, **Zach Kale**, **Emily Landis**, and **Jim McCormick**.

Her previous single, “I Hope,” spent 26 weeks atop the *Billboard* Hot Country Songs Chart making it the longest-leading No. 1 by an unaccompanied female artist in the history of *Billboard*’s Hot Country Songs chart.

Barrett recently released a 7-track *Live From The Goldmine* EP while her debut album for Warner Music Nashville, *Goldmine*, surpassed 1 billion streams within seven months of its release.



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.

MusicRow CountryBreakout Chart Reporting Stations

WHMA Anniston, AL
 WXFL Florence, AL
 KHBZ Harrison, AR
 KQUS Hot Springs, AR
 KDXY Jonesboro, AR
 KWCK Searcy, AR
 KRAZ Santa Barbara, CA
 WPAP Panama City, FL
 WUBB Savannah, GA
 KXIA Marshalltown, IA
 KIAI Mason City, IA
 KBOE Oskaloosa, IA
 KTHK Idaho Falls, ID
 WOOZ Cartersville, IL

WAAG Galesburg, IL
 WMCI Mattoon, IL
 WYOT Rochelle, IL
 WRTB Rockford, IL
 WCCI Savanna, IL
 WIFE Connersville, IN
 KAIR Atchison, KS
 WKDZ Cadiz, KY
 WBKR Owensboro, KY
 WDHR Pikeville, KY
 KRRV Alexandria, LA
 WUUU Covington, LA
 WKPE Hyannis, MA
 WVMD Cumberland, MD

WTCM Traverse City, MI
 KYSM Mankato, MN
 KZPK St. Cloud, MN
 KWWR Mexico, MO
 KFAV Warrenton, MO
 KZZY Devils Lake, ND
 KRVN Lexington, NE
 Jersey Shore Country
 KQBA Santa Fe, NM
 WDNB Monticello, NY
 WOLF Syracuse, NY
 WCJW Warsaw, NY
 WFRY Watertown, NY
 KWHW Altus, OK

KITX Hugo, OK
 KWEY Weatherford, OK
 KWOX Woodward, OK
 KRKT Albany, OR
 WNBT Mansfield, PA
 WCFT Selinsgrove, PA
 WFGE State College, PA
 WMIR Myrtle Beach, SC
 KIQK Rapid City, SD
 WUCZ Carthage, TN
 WDKN Dickson, TN
 WLLX Lawrenceburg, TN
 KAYD Beaumont, TX
 KFTX Corpus Christi, TX

KYKX Longview, TX
 KMRK Odessa, TX
 KYK Palestine, TX
 KXOX Sweetwater, TX
 WAKG Danville, VA
 WAXX Altoona, WI
 WJVL Janesville, WI
 WGLR Platteville, WI
 WQPC Prairie du Chien, WI
 WCOW Sparta, WI
 WTNJ Beckley, WV
 WDDG Huntington, WV

Lady A

For your ACM Consideration:
Group of the Year

**11 Career
#1 Songs**

Current single
"Like A Lady"
#1 most added
with **86 Adds**

Over **2.3 billion**
domestic on-demand
streams to date

"Champagne Night":
Multi-week #1 on
Mediabase & Billboard



COUNTRYBREAKOUT RADIO CHART

Weeks On Chart	Last Week	This Week	Song / Artist / Label	Spins / Reports	% Spin Power	Spins +/-
36	2	1	The Good Ones / Gabby Barrett / Warner Music Nashville	1841/55	8	141
10	3	2	Undivided / Tim McGraw and Tyler Hubbard / Big Machine Records	1662/63	0	-6
26	4	3	Settling Down / Miranda Lambert / Vanner Records/RCA Records	1661/58	3	50
23	6	4	Next Girl / Carly Pearce / Big Machine	1583/65	3	50
55	5	5	Nobody / Dylan Scott / Curb	1573/54	0	-2
9	7	6	Minimum Wage / Blake Shelton / Warner Music Nashville	1545/59	3	39
21	9	7	Breaking Up Was Easy In The 90's / Sam Hunt / MCA Nashville	1519/54	3	48
17	10	8	Blame It On You / Jason Aldean / Broken Bow	1393/57	5	68
20	8	9	Just The Way / Parmalee x Blanco Brown / Stoney Creek Records	1363/39	-8	-117
23	1	10	One Too Many / Keith Urban & P!nk / Capitol	1356/48	-21	-351
20	12	11	We Didn't Have Much / Justin Moore / Valory	1326/62	2	31
45	11	12	Made For You / Jake Owen / Big Loud Records	1317/44	0	6
61	13	13	Somebody Like That / Tenille Arts / 19th & Grand	1315/45	4	56
11	14	14	Famous Friends / Chris Young & Kane Brown / RCA Nashville	1264/57	6	77
39	15	15	Hard Days / Brantley Gilbert / Valory	1099/47	6	66
18	16	16	Memory I Don't Mess With / Lee Brice / Curb	1076/55	4	45
6	19	17	Glad You Exist / Dan + Shay / Warner Music Nashville/WAR	1025/50	14	124
4	24	18	Forever After All / Luke Combs / River House Artists/Columbia Nashville	1015/50	23	189
57	17	19	Momma's House / Dustin Lynch / Broken Bow	1006/36	3	28
38	18	20	Wine, Beer, Whiskey / Little Big Town / Capitol	974/43	6	52
10	22	21	Tequila Little Time / Jon Pardi / Capitol	916/49	9	74
21	20	22	If It Wasn't For Trucks / Riley Green / BMLG	899/44	3	27
19	21	23	Heaven On Dirt / Teddy Robb / Monument	885/49	1	13
21	25	24	Where I Find God / Larry Fleet / Big Loud Records	793/39	0	1
19	26	25	Just About Over You / Priscilla Block / Mercury Nashville	783/44	4	32
13	28	26	Drinkin' Beer. Talkin' God. Amen. / Chase Rice feat. Florida Georgia Line / Broken Bow/Dack Janiels	781/41	7	49
10	27	27	Give Heaven Some Hell / HARDY / Big Loud Records	775/48	3	26
10	30	28	My Boy / Elvie Shane / Wheelhouse Records	691/40	9	57
29	31	29	Single Saturday Night / Cole Swindell / Warner Music Nashville	671/38	12	71
16	29	30	Anybody Else / Mira Goto / ArtistMax/Copperline	655/33	2	13
14	32	31	Cold Beer Calling My Name / Jameson Rodgers feat. Luke Combs / River House Artists/Columbia Nashville	584/33	-1	-5
5	36	32	Lonely Drum / Aaron Goodvin / Reviver Records/Warner Music Canada	557/40	9	48
8	33	33	To Be Loved By You / Parker McCollum / MCA Nashville	556/36	1	8
7	34	34	Freedom Was A Highway / Jimmie Allen & Brad Paisley / Stoney Creek Records	543/33	3	17
14	37	35	Just Like You / Paige King Johnson / PCG Artist Development	517/39	4	22
3	47	36	Knowing You / Kenny Chesney / Blue Chair Records/Warner Music Nashville	502/34	37	136
18	39	37	You Time / Scotty McCreery / Triple Tigers Records	499/32	7	33
15	38	38	Heartland / Hailey Whitters / Big Loud Records/S&D	482/29	1	5



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Weeks On Chart	Last Week	This Week	Song / Artist / Label	Spins / Reports	% Spin Power	Spins +/-
11	41	39	Just Friends / Caylee Hammack / Capitol	451/29	8	33
22	42	40	I Can Tell By The Way You Dance / Josh Turner / MCA Nashville	446/26	9	35
13	40	41	Extra / Kylie Trout / Kylie Trout Music	442/27	2	7
14	46	42	River Bent / Caleb Kelley / River Bend Entertainment	427/22	14	51
11	43	43	Chain Breaker / Zach Williams / Provident Label Group	427/30	6	24
11	44	44	What Would Dolly Do? / Tori Martin / LuckySky Music	405/26	2	6
4	51	45	Getting Over Him / Lauren Alaina feat. Jon Pardi / Mercury Nashville	399/29	21	70
6	50	46	Okfuskee Whiskey / James Robert Webb / Bison Creek Records	379/33	11	39
5	62	47	Things A Man Oughta Know / Lainey Wilson / Broken Bow	377/25	60	142
9	48	48	Right Place Now / Hudson Valley / Hudson Valley	376/22	8	27
11	53	49	You're Gonna Love Me / Tim Dugger / Curb	349/25	14	44
3	54	50	I Can't / Caitlyn Smith feat. Old Dominion / Monument Records	347/32	14	43
27	45	51	Waitin' On 5 / Chris Janson / Warner Music Nashville	347/17	-8	-31
16	49	52	Worship You / Kane Brown / RCA Nashville	346/20	0	0
6	56	53	What The Whiskey's For / Tom Sexton / Lots To Do Music	324/28	8	24
16	35	54	God Save The World / Jeff Carson / MC1 Nashville	322/14	-37	-188
7	52	55	Shallow / Garth Brooks and Trisha Yearwood / Pearl Records	317/20	1	4
6	55	56	Together / for KING & COUNTRY feat. Hannah Ellis, Jackson Michelson / Curb Word Entertainment	316/26	5	15
15	23	57	Ain't Gonna Be Today / Ward Davis / Ward Davis Music/Thirty Tigers	300/20	-64	-537
1	157	58	Like A Lady / Lady A / BMLG	283/26	127	265
9	60	59	No Body, No Crime / Taylor Swift feat. Haim / MCA Nashville	283/18	11	28
10	58	60	Kickstart / Owen Howell / Kojax Entertainment	273/18	4	11
8	59	61	Can't Stop / Chloe Collins / Collins House Music	269/20	3	7
13	61	62	Whiskey And Rain / Michael Ray / Warner Music Nashville	249/15	-2	-4
9	63	63	I Do Thing / Kylie Frey / Deep Frey'd Music Group	247/19	11	25
4	68	64	Gettin' Her Over You / Bobby Wills / Willing	244/20	27	52
7	64	65	Head Over Wheels / Joe Hanson /	244/16	15	31
3	67	66	It's All Yours / Dave Wilbert / Wilbilly Records	221/19	13	26
2	75	67	Under It With You Tonight / Smith & Wesley / Dream Walkin/Audium Nashville	217/19	29	49
7	72	68	New To Neon / Andrew Hopson / Tower Road Records	214/14	18	32
7	73	69	He Looks Good On Her / Michael McCall / MDM Entertainment	203/13	13	24
9	69	70	More With Less / Frank Vieira / Frank Vieira Music	199/12	4	7
25	66	71	Dear Rodeo / Cody Johnson / CoJo Music/Warner Bros.	192/11	-4	-8
3	74	72	Come On Over / Kyle Elliott /	190/13	8	14
2	78	73	Good Day / Brett Eldredge / Warner Music Nashville	188/15	15	25
5	71	74	Do Ya / Tiffany Woys /	188/12	3	5
3	80	75	Same Dirt Road / Eric Lee / Blue Hill Records	187/16	15	25
4	79	76	Dreams And Gasoline / Shelley Lynch / Lynch Records	183/10	13	21
3	70	77	Home Sweet / Russell Dickerson / Triple Tigers Records	180/13	-2	-3
2	77	78	Let It Flow / Dave McElroy / Greg Stevens Promotions/Tatum Town LLC	172/11	4	7
3	76	79	Gotta Go Rodeo / Darlinghurst / Helium	166/14	0	0
1	82	80	Homesick / Veronika / Whattaguy Music	164/15	9	13

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ROCK-GUITAR LICKS"**

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**NEW SINGLE "ABBY"
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"AFTER A FEW" HIGHLIGHTS

- **TOP 5 MOST-PLAYED SONG OF THE YEAR
AT MEDIABASE / COUNTRY AIRCHECK**
- **FIRST #1 SINGLE**
- **CERTIFIED GOLD BY RIAA**



Jimmie Allen Renews Publishing Deal With Endurance Music Group

Endurance Music Group has announced the renewal of its worldwide publishing agreement with multi-Platinum hit songwriter and recording artist **Jimmie Allen**.

Allen's chart-topping singles include his debut, "Best Shot," as well as his follow-up, "Make Me Want To," which he co-wrote with EMG's Paul Sikes along with Jennifer Denmark. His current single, "Freedom Was a Highway" with Brad Paisley, is climbing the country charts. Allen is nominated for New Male Artist of the Year at the upcoming 56th *ACM Awards*.

The BBR Music Group / Stoney Creek Records artist made history as the first Black artist to launch a career with two consecutive No. 1 hits on country radio.

"We couldn't be happier to renew our deal with Jimmie," says Endurance Music Group President **Michael Martin**. "His growth as a writer and artist has been inspiring to watch and we're proud to have been a part of it. He truly embodies the evolution of modern country music songwriting. We're so excited to be on this journey with him."

"Michael, **Mark [Ahlberg]**, **Josh [Saxe]**, and the Endurance team have become like family. They're super supportive of my creative vision, they take the time to check on me and see how I'm doing as a person outside of music, and that really means a lot to me. Re-signing with them was a no brainer for me—Endurance is a home I'm thankful to have. I'm looking forward to continuing to work with these amazing people as I create new music," says Allen. **MR**



Photo: John Shearer

Samantha Borenstein Launches Management Firm

Photo: Chelsea Thompson



Music executive **Samantha Borenstein** announced the launch of her new venture Sam I Am Entertainment, a Nashville-based management firm.

The company's expanding roster already includes **Easton Corbin**, **Harper Grae** and **Styles Haurly**.

An Arizona State graduate, Borenstein spent years in the music industry helping many artists find success. From nurturing the nascent career of Jordin Sparks after *American Idol*, to being a part of the meteoric rise of six-time Grammy award winner Kacey Musgraves.

"I am really excited to have created my own company where I can work with acts that I am super passionate about," says Borenstein. "I'm ready to help nurture and navigate their careers alongside my artists from the ground up." **MR**

Ross Copperman Signs With Photo Finish Records



Ross Copperman. Photo: Gus Black

Award-winning singer, songwriter, and producer **Ross Copperman** has signed a deal with the New York-based Photo Finish Records.

Along with the signing, Copperman announced an upcoming solo project set for May 2021, his first in nearly 10 years.

"I've closely followed the work the team at Photo Finish Records has done over the last decade," says Copperman. "From discovery to development, they've done an incredible job breaking artists in the pop space. I'm so thrilled and grateful to have such an incredible team behind my new music."

The Grammy-nominated songwriter has written and produced music for Dierks Bentley, Darius Rucker, Keith Urban and more, as well as written major country hits including Blake Shelton and Gwen Stefani's "Nobody But You," Luke Bryan's "What She Wants Tonight" and Kelsea Ballerini and Halsey's duet, "The Other Girl."

Some of Copperman's accolades include four BMI Songwriter of The Year awards, two Academy of Country Music award wins, 29 No. 1 radio hits and two Grammy award nominations. Copperman has also won two CMA Triple Play Awards for penning three No. 1 songs in a 12-month period.

The hit songwriter joins Photo Finish Records roster including SHAED, 3OH!3, Lakeview, guardin, and joan. **MR**

Tigirlily Signs With Monument Records



Pictured (L-R): Louis Newman (Manager), Shane McAnally (Co-President, Monument Records), Kendra Slaubaugh, Krista Slaubaugh, Katie McCartney (GM, Monument Records), Jason Owen (Co-President, Monument Records).

Tigirlily has signed with Monument Records.

The duo, comprised of sisters Krista and Kendra Slaubaugh, announced the news on Ty Bentli's Apple Radio show last week. Their song "Somebody Does" which they penned with songwriter Zarni DeVette, has rocketed to the top of both the iTunes Country Songs chart and the iTunes All Genres Songs charts since its release in February.

Tigirlily first began touring throughout their home state of North Dakota, as well as South Dakota, Montana, and Minnesota, eight years ago when they were just 14 and 16 years old. After relocating to Nashville in 2017, they began writing with fellow artists and performing live weekly at local venues. By the end of 2019 they had 130 shows under their belt including opening for LeAnn Rimes, Big and Rich, Justin Moore and Chris Janson. At the end of last year the duo was featured in the KEDS shoes global fall/winter 2020 campaign titled "Progress: Whatever That Means," highlighting women entrepreneurs from all over the world. **MR**

DISCLAIMER Single Reviews: The Cadillac Three, Cam, Ronnie Milsap



The Cadillac Three. Photo: Dylan Rucker

Diversity is the name of the game in this edition of Disclaimer.

In a preposterously male-dominated genre, we have gender parity today—fully half of our contestants are female. With Tiera, Darius Rucker and Chapel Hart in the mix, country music made by Black artists is well represented. South American native Flo Olavarria adds a touch of Latin. Canadian country is along for the ride, too.

Because the sounds are so difficult to compare to one another, the Disc of the Day award is divided. The Male winner is Ronnie Milsap. The essential Female disc belongs to Cam. The Group award goes to The Cadillac Three.

The afore mentioned Flo Olavarria takes home the DisDiscovery Award.

[Click here to read Robert K. Oermann's reviews of The Cadillac Three, Cam, Ronnie Milsap, Flo Olavarria, and more.](#)

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Miranda Lambert, Dan + Shay, John Prine Among Grammy Winners

Nashville artists were well represented at the 63rd annual *Grammy Awards* on Sunday night (March 14).

Miranda Lambert took home Best Country Album for her seventh studio album, *Wildcard*.

Brandi Carlile, Natalie Hemby and **Lori McKenna** won Best Country Song for their co-written “Crowded Table,” recorded by **The Highwomen**.

Vince Gill was awarded his 22nd Grammy Award for his performance of “When My Amy Prays,” in the category of Best Country Solo Performance.

Best Country Duo/Group Performance was awarded to **Dan + Shay** for their collaboration with **Justin Bieber**, “10,000 Hours.” The duo made history with this win, becoming first artist to win three times consecutively since the category’s inception. Dan + Shay won the category for the first time in 2019 with 6x Platinum smash “Tequila,” and again in 2020 with 5x Platinum hit “Speechless.”

The Fisk Jubilee Singers won in the Best Roots Gospel Album category for *Celebrating Fisk! (The 150th Anniversary Album)*, which marks their first ever win in their 150-year history.

The late **John Prine**, who was honored with a tribute by Carlile during the telecast, posthumously won Best American Roots Performance and Best American Roots Song for “I Remember Everything.”

Sarah Jarosz won Best Americana Album for *World On The Ground*.

Zach Williams and **Dolly Parton** took home Best Contemporary Christian Music Performance/Song for “There Was Jesus,” and **Kanye West** won Best Contemporary Christian Music Album for *Jesus Is King*.

In the general field, **Billie Eilish** took home Record Of The Year for “Everything I Wanted.” **Megan Thee Stallion** won Best New Artist. Song Of The Year was awarded to **Dernst Emile II, H.E.R.** and **Tiara Thomas** for their song “I Can’t Breathe,” recorded by H.E.R.

Taylor Swift took home Album Of The Year for *Folklore*. This is her third time winning the honor, making Swift the first female artist to win the award three times, and tying her with Frank Sinatra, Paul Simon and Stevie Wonder as the only artist to win in that



Miranda Lambert. Photo: Getty Images for The Recording Academy

category three times.

While its number of performances were few, country music shined on the Grammy stage.

The awards were presented outside the Los Angeles Staples Center, with only a handful of masked, socially distanced nominees watching each presentation in an open-air tent. The majority of the performances took place inside. The indoor venue featured five stages in the round. Artists performed for each other before another set of artists replaced them after the performances wrapped.

The In Memoriam tribute featured many artists and musical icons that we lost this past year, pulling out a few artists to feature more prominently. **Lionel Richie** gave tribute to **Kenny Rogers** by singing their iconic song, “Lady.”

Carlile did a superb job honoring John Prine. She sang “I Remember Everything,” the song that Prine posthumously won Best American Roots Performance and Best American Roots Song for.

When it came time for the country round of performances, **Mickey Guyton** gave a stellar performance of her moving “Black Like Me.” With this performance, Guyton became the first Black female country artist to perform at the Grammys.

Once Guyton was through, she turned to a beaming Lambert to introduce her next performance. Lambert performed her No. 1 smash hit “Bluebird,” from her now Grammy awarded album *Wildcard*, under a chandelier of flowers.

Lambert then introduced the next country performer, **Maren Morris**, as “my Texas gal pal I’ve known since the honky tonk days.” Morris was joined by **John Mayer** playing guitar and singing harmonies on her pop crossover hit, “The Bones.” **MR**



Pictured (L-R): Maren Morris and John Mayer perform onstage during the 63rd Annual Grammy Awards. Photo: Getty Images for The Recording Academy

Jordan Gray Signs With Sea Gayle Music



Pictured (L-R, top row): John Lytle, David Crow, Brandon Gregg; (L-R, middle row): Kim Wiggins, Emily Whitters, Chris DuBois; (L-R, bottom row): Marc Driskill, Jordan Gray, JD Groover

Artist-writer **Jordan Gray** has signed a global publishing deal with Sea Gayle Music.

Gray grew up in Lamar, South Carolina. In 2015 he released his first EP, *West of The Pines*, which helped him build a following on streaming and social media platforms. With the help of his song “Stay The Night,” he amassed 10 million streams, toured the southeast circuit, and moved to Nashville to pursue music full time.

“I’ve known Jordan a long time. To watch him grow into the writer, artist, and human he is today is a pleasure. I am over the moon he chose us as his first publishing home in Nashville. Thank you **Ward [Guenther]** for letting me fill in at Whiskey Jam. This might not have happened!” says Sr. Creative Director at Sea Gayle Music, **JD Groover**.

Gray says, “**Chris DuBois** has an impressive background in the writing and publishing world and has helped many writers and artists develop successful careers in this industry. He has built a great team at Sea Gayle and I am excited to be a part of their writer’s group. I feel Chris, JD, and Sea Gayle will be a great developmental partner for me and I am looking forward to seeing what we can build together.” **MR**

TOP SONGWRITER CHART

This Week	Last Week	Songwriter's Name	Song(s)	Artist
1	1	Josh Osborne	Beers And Sunshine Sand In My Boots Breaking Up Was Easy In The 90's How They Remember You Next Girl	Darius Rucker Morgan Wallen Sam Hunt Rascal Flatts Carly Pearce
2	2	Jesse Frasure	Whiskey And Rain What's Your Country Song Almost Maybes Minimum Wage	Michael Ray Thomas Rhett Jordan Davis Blake Shelton
3	5	Corey Crowder	Long Live Famous Friends Minimum Wage Drinkin' Beer. Talkin' God. Amen	Florida Georgia Line Chris Young + Kane Brown Blake Shelton Chase Rice feat. Florida Georgia Line
4	6	Luke Combs	Better Together Forever After All	Luke Combs Luke Combs
5	7	Tyler Hubbard	Long Live Lil Bit Undivided	Florida Georgia Line Nelly & Florida Georgia Line Tim McGraw & Tyler Hubbard
6	4	Ashley Gorley	What's Your Country Song Sand In My Boots Warning Single Saturday Night	Thomas Rhett Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Cole Swindell
7	8	Jon Nite	I Hope Lady	Gabby Barrett Brett Young
8	10	Mike Henderson	Starting Over	Chris Stapleton
9	11	Chris Stapleton	Starting Over	Chris Stapleton
10	12	Randy Montana	We Didn't Have Much Better Together	Justin Moore Luke Combs
11	9	Ernest Keith Smith	Wasted On You Breaking Up Was Easy In The 90's Somebody's Problem Warning Dangerous	Morgan Wallen Sam Hunt Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen
12	13	Niko Moon	Good Time Gone	Niko Moon Dierks Bentley
13	3	Ross Copperman	Beers And Sunshine Lady	Darius Rucker Brett Young
14	14	Gabby Barrett	I Hope The Good Ones	Gabby Barrett Gabby Barrett
15	15	Zachary Kale	I Hope The Good Ones	Gabby Barrett Gabby Barrett
16	16	Nicolle Galyon	Gone Minimum Wage	Dierks Bentley Blake Shelton
17	19	Michael Hardy	What Do I Know Sand In My Boots Still Goin Down Single Saturday Night Livin' The Dream	Robert Counts Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Cole Swindell Morgan Wallen
18	21	Kevin Bard	Just The Way	Parmalee x Blanco Brown
19	22	N.W. Sipe	Just The Way	Parmalee x Blanco Brown
20	23	Matt Thomas	Just The Way	Parmalee x Blanco Brown
21	18	Dallas Davidson	Down To One	Luke Bryan
22	20	Dan Isbell	Better Together	Luke Combs
23	24	Kyle Fishman	Down To One	Luke Bryan

This Week	Last Week	Songwriter's Name	Song(s)	Artist
24	25	Justin Ebach	Down To One	Luke Bryan
25	17	Morgan Wallen	Wasted On You Somebody's Problem Still Goin Down Dangerous Livin' The Dream Neon Eyes	Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen
26	27	Brett Young	Lady	Brett Young
27	30	B. Davis	Made For You Memory I Don't Mess With	Jake Owen Lee Brice
28	28	Rodney Clawson	Momma's House Somebody's Problem	Dustin Lynch Morgan Wallen
29	34	Chris Loocke	Undivided	Tim McGraw & Tyler Hubbard
30	26	Ryan Vojtesak	Wasted On You Still Goin Down Warning Worship You	Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Morgan Wallen Kane Brown
31	31	Allison Veltz Cruz	Somebody Like That	Tenille Arts
32	32	Tenille Arts	Somebody Like That	Tenille Arts
33	33	Alex Kline	Somebody Like That	Tenille Arts
34	35	Eric Church	Hell Of A View	Eric Church
35	36	Monty Criswell	Hell Of A View	Eric Church
36	37	C. Beathard	Hell Of A View	Eric Church
37	40	N. Medley	Made For You	Jake Owen
38	41	Jeffery Hyde	Made For You	Jake Owen
39	42	Hillary Lindsey	Almost Maybes	Jordan Davis
40	46	Jordan Davis	Almost Maybes	Jordan Davis
41	48	Emily Landis	The Good Ones	Gabby Barrett
42	49	J. McCormick	The Good Ones	Gabby Barrett
43	47	Rhett Akins	Tequila Little Time What's Your Country Song	Jon Pardi Thomas Rhett
44	43	Dallas Wilson	Nobody	Dylan Scott
45	44	Dylan Scott	Nobody	Dylan Scott
46	45	Matt Alderman	Nobody	Dylan Scott
47	50	Allen Shamblin	How They Remember You	Rascal Flatts
48	51	M. Beeson	How They Remember You	Rascal Flatts
49	55	Josh Murty	Good Time	Niko Moon
50	56	Anna Moon	Good Time	Niko Moon
51	57	Jordan Minton	Good Time	Niko Moon
52	58	Mark Trussell	Good Time	Niko Moon
53	52	Justin Wilson	Momma's House	Dustin Lynch
54	53	Michael Lotten	Momma's House	Dustin Lynch
55	54	Dylan Schneider	Momma's House	Dustin Lynch
56	64	Ben Johnson	Gone	Dierks Bentley
57	59	Thomas Rhett	What's Your Country Song	Thomas Rhett
58	60	Parker Welling	What's Your Country Song	Thomas Rhett
59	68	Drew Parker	Forever After All	Luke Combs
60	69	Robert Williford	Forever After All	Luke Combs

CALENDAR

Singles

March 19

Lauren Davidson/*Backfire*/Loaded Gun Productions

Strong Armed Robbers/*Judgement Day*/Fish Fisher Productions

Trevor Martin/*Wife You Up*

March 20

CreatiVets feat. Craig Campbell/*Rise Above*

March 22

Darius Rucker/*My Masterpiece*/Capitol

Ryan Hurd w/ Maren Morris/*Chasing After You*/Arista

Mary Heather Hickman/*Treasure*/Rolling River Records

Albums

March 19

Loretta Lynn/*Still Woman Enough*/Legacy Recordings

Midland/*Midland: The Sonic Ranch (Soundtrack)*/Big Machine

Steve Gulley & Tim Stafford/*Still Here*/Mountain Home Music

Morgan Wade/*Reckless*

March 26

Carrie Underwood/*My Savior*/Capitol Records Nashville

David Olney & Anana Kaye/*Whispers and Sighs*/Schoolkids Records

The Alex Leach Band/*I'm The Happiest When I'm Moving*/Mountain Home Music

Chevel Shepherd/*Everybody's Got A Story* (EP)

April 2

John Schneider/*Truck On*/BFD/Audium Nashville/Maven Entertainment

Industry Events

April 18

The 56th Academy of Country Music Awards