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NEWS

ACM New Artist Of The Year Nominees Announced

The votes are in to determine the finalists for the ACM New Artist of the Year Award presented by Kohl's. Sam Hunt, Thomas Rhett, and Cole Swindell have been named as this vear's final nominees. The final round of fan voting to determine the category's winner begins Wednesday, April 8 at 3 p.m. ET at voteacm.com.



The winner will be revealed during the live CBS telecast of the 50th Annual Academy of Country Music Awards, which will be held Sunday, April 19 at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas.

Chris Young Receives No. 1 Challenge Coin

MusicRow recently presented RCA Nashville's **Chris Young** with his MusicRow Challenge Coin for "Lonely Eyes," at Nashville's Ryman Auditorium. Penned by Johnny Bulford, Jason Matthews, and Laura **Veltz**, this is the third single

from Young's fourth studio

album, A.M. "Lonely Eyes"



L-R: MusicRow Owner/Publisher Sherod Robertson, Young, MusicRow Chart Director Troy Stephenson

topped the MusicRow radio chart on Jan. 29. All artists and songwriters that reach No. 1 receive the Challenge Coin. To see the full list of recipients, click HERE.

Toby Keith To Bring Fans 'Good Times & Pick Up Lines'

Toby Keith will soon embark on the Good Times & Pick Up Lines Tour presented by Ford F-Series. Close to 30 dates are set for the 2015 outing, which will launch in California at the Shoreline Amphitheater and make its way back east, in



addition to a set of Canada dates. More concert stops are expected to be added. To see the full list of announced dates, click HERE.

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Top Ten— Jake Owen got himself a No. 1 song this week with "What We Ain't Got." He jumped **Dierks Bentley** who remains at No. 2 again this week with "Say You Do." Jason Aldean's "Just Gettin' Started" is still flying up the chart and moves to No. 3. **Tyler Farr** is gaining steam, jumping two spots to No. 4 with "A Guy Walks Into A Bar." Easton Corbin is still going strong with "Baby Be My Love Song," which is at No. 5 followed by Cole Swindell's "Ain't Worth The Whiskey" at No. 6. Eric Paslay continues to move upward with "She Don't Love You" at No. 7. Zac Brown Band is moving very quickly to the top. "Homegrown" is at No. 8 after only six weeks on the chart. Josh Turner is up one with "Lay Low" at No. 9 and Billy Currington's "Don't It" at No. 10.

Greatest Gainers— Zac Brown Band is getting a lot of love for "Homegrown." It's the top gainer this week with 443 new spins. Kenny Chesney's "Wild Child" is up 12 spots after 414 more plays this week. Carrie Underwood saw 390 new plays on "Little Toy Guns" and Brad Paisley's "Crushin' It" was played 369 more times than last. Keith Urban and Eric **Church** asked radio to "Raise 'Em Up" when referring to spins on their new song. They listened and the song got 361 new spins.

Debuts— Eric Church's "Like A Wrecking Ball" was the highest debut this week, coming in at No. 71. Parmalee also worked "Already Callin' You Mine" into the chart and is at No. 72. Also new this week are Rachael Turner's "Matches And Moonshine" at No. 75, Florida Georgia Line's "Sippin' On Fire" at No. 76 and **Kayla Calabrese** with "Whisper" at No. 77.



Singer/Songwriter Tim Hadler (L) recently played a show in Ocala, Fla. and made time to visit with Kelly Wright (R) of WTRS/Ocala, Fla. Hadler's song "Down By The Railroad Tracks" is at radio now.



SINGLES CALENDAR

February 23

LoCash/I Love This Life/Reviver Records
David Fanning/Doin' Country Right/Red Bow
Dan + Shay/Nothin' Like You/Warner Bros.
Amber Hayes/Running Out Of Memories/A OK
Greg Shirley/The Good Drugs/Garage Door-SDMG
Angie Lynn Carter/Simple Man/Angie Lynn Carter
Shannon & Heather Slaughter/Feelin' Better/Elite Circuit

March 2

Gary Allan/Hangover Tonight/MCA
John King/On Your Lips/Black River
Kayla Calabrese/Whisper/SMG
LiveWire/Quit You/Way Out West Records
Alan Turner/Bull Riding Babe/HMG Nashville
Jake Gill/Say It Goodbye/HMG Nashville

ALBUMS CALENDAR

March 2

Aaron Tippin/Aaron Tippin 25/Nippit Records Casting Crowns/Glorious Day: Hymns of Faith/Cracker Barrel

March 3

Shania Twain/SHANIA: Still The One Live from Vegas [CD/DVD]/ Mercury Nashville

March 9

Jordyn Stoddard/Southern Tide/ J Stodd

March 10

Luke Bryan/*Spring Break...Checkin' Out*/Capitol Nashville **Eli Young Band**/*Turn It On* [EP]/Republic Nashville

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Rick Monroe (center) shows good times were had at WWQM/Madison, Wis. during a stop to promote his single "Fires Out."

WEEKLY CHART DATA

New On The Chart —Debuting This Week

Artist/song/label—chart pos.

Eric Church/Like A Wrecking Ball/EMI Nashville— 71
Parmalee/Already Callin' You Mine/Stoney Creek— 72
Rachael Turner/Matches And Moonshine/Rustic Records— 75
Florida Georgia Line/Sippin' On Fire/Republic Nashville— 76
Kayla Calabrese/Whisper/SMG Nashville— 77

Zac Brown Band/Homegrown/Southern Ground— 443

Greatest Spin Increase

Artist/song/label—Spin Increase

Kenny Chesney/Wild Child/Blue Chair-Columbia— 414 Carrie Underwood/Little Toy Guns/Arista— 390 Brad Paisley/Crushin' It/Arista— 369 Keith Urban w/ Eric Church/Raise 'Em Up/Capitol Nashville— 361 A Thousand Horses/Smoke/Republic Nashville— 319

Most Added

 $Artist/song/label{label-No.}\ of\ Adds$

Carrie Underwood/Little Toy Guns/Arista—27
Presley & Taylor/Looking For A Cowboy/SMG Nashville—19
Florida Georgia Line/Sippin' On Fire/Republic Nashville—18
Kenny Chesney/Wild Child/Blue Chair-Columbia—16
Kip Moore/I'm To Blame/MCA Nashville—15
Brad Paisley/Crushin' It/Arista—15
Eric Church/Like A Wrecking Ball/EMI Nashville—15
Amber Hayes/Running Out Of Memories/GMV Nashville—11
Maddie & Tae/Fly/Dot Records—10
Mickey Guyton/Better Than You Left Me/Capitol Nashville—9

On Deck—Soon To Be Charting

Artist/song/label—No. of Spins

Presley & Taylor/Looking For A Cowboy/SMG Nashville— 162
Johnny Orr Band/You Can't Hide Love/Johnny Orr—157
Jeremy Starkel/Burn/Biting Sow— 137
Crystal Yates/Goodbye Letter/Yates— 128
Waterloo Revival/Hit The Road/Big Machine— 125

Frozen Playlist— WTCR, WOWF, WKLI, WDKN



Todd Nixon (L) WTQR/Greensboro-Winston-Salem, N.C. and WNCB/ Raleigh, N.C. shoots pretend finger lasers with Cole Swindell (R) at a recent stop in The Tar Heel State.

MUSIC ROW

NO. 1 SONG

After almost seven months on the MusicRow CountryBreakout Chart, Jake Owen has finally reached the No. 1 spot with "What We Ain't Got."

Owen admitted the risk in releasing the song as the third single from his RCA Nashville Days Of Gold album since everyone is used hearing up-tempo



party songs. (The two previously released singles from the album were "Beachin" and the title track.) He is said to have fought for the release because he believed in the strong subject matter, written by Travis Meadows and Travis Jerome Goff.

The searing music video was directed by Mason Dixon, who has taken the helm on all of Jake's videos since 2010, and can be viewed here.

The Florida-born beach boy will join **Kenny Chesney** on *The Big* Revival Tour this summer, which is set to kick off in Nashville during a two-night run, starting March 26.

Click here to view a full list of MusicRow's Challenge Coin recipients.

MusicRow Spotlight

Steve Ferguson/MD-Morning Show/WTHO/Thomson, Ga.

How long have you been at the station?

I'm in my 25th year at WTHO.

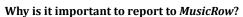
How many "hats" do you wear? Music Director/Morning show host

for both FM stations here and a large hat rack for other duties.

What is your philosophy on adding new music?

I take a look at what is being played on the other charts. I listen to every

new song that comes across my desk. Being a successful musician, recording artist and producer in this area for many years, and suggestions from my listeners, helps me play what is right for my audience. I have total freedom on choosing the music here, and love breaking new artists.



MusicRow is important to me and my station. It has put us "on the map."

Tell us something great about your station and/or city.

Thomson, Ga., is a wonderful town. Everyone knows everyone, and has a smile or a wave for you when they see you. I love being out in the country just far enough from the big city. A small town with a big heart!

Favorite new artists:

Erica Nicole, The Cains Trio, and Eric Paslay are just a few of many.



MusicRow CountryBreakout Chart Reporting Stations

WHMA Anniston AL WXFL Florence AL KCJC Russellville AR KCNY Conway AR KHBZ Harrison AR KDXY Jonesboro AR **KQUS Hot Springs AR** KWCK Searcy AR KSED Flagstaff AZ KTTI Yuma AZ **KVAY Lamar CO** WHWY Destin FL WTRS Ocala FL WBYZ Baxley GA WOKA Douglas GA WTHO Thomson GA WUBB Savannah GA KBOE Oskaloosa IA KIAI Mason City IA

KLMJ Hampton IA KMGO Centerville IA KSMA Mason City IA **KBKB** Burlington IA KXIA Marshalltown IA KICR Sandpoint ID KTHK Idaho Falls ID WAAG Galesburg IL WIBL Normal IL WOOZ Carterville IL WDZQ Decatur IL WMCI Mattoon IL WIFE Connersville IN KAIR Atchison KS KKOW Pittsburg KS KVWF Wichita KS KYEZ Salina KS WBKR Owensboro KY WDHR Pikeville KY WKFC London KY

WGGC Bowling Green KY WKDZ Cadiz KY WLVK Elizabethtown KY KRRV Alexandria LA KXKZ Ruston LA WKTT Salisbury MD WVMD Cumberland MD WATZ Alpena MI WTCM Traverse City MI WJNR Iron Mountain MI WUPY Ontonagon MI WMKC Cheboygan, MI KZPK St. Cloud, MN KBXB Sikeston, MO KDKD Clinton, MO KFAV Warrenton, MO KWWR Mexico, MO KZZY Devils Lake, ND KYCK Grand Forks, ND KRVN Lexington, NE

KRGI Grand Island, NE WKPQ Hornell NY WFRY Watertown NY WCJW Warsaw NY WDNB Liberty NY WOLF Syracuse NY KWHW Altus OK KITX Hugo OK KKAJ Ardmore OK KWOX Woodward OK KWEY Weatherford OK KRKT Albany OR WFGE State College PA WWBE Selinsgrove PA KYTN Union City TN WDKN Dickson TN WEIO Huntingdon TN WLLX Lawrenceburg TN WOWF Crossville TN WUCZ Carthage TN

Renegade Radio Nashville TN KFTX Corpus Christi TX KGKL San Angelo TX KMKS Bay City TX KXOX Sweetwater TX KYYK Palestine TX WAKG Danville VA WMEV Marion VA WAXX Altoona, WI WCOW Sparta, WI WGLR Platteville WI WJMQ Shawano WI WBWI West Bend WI WJVL Janesville WI WOPC, Prairie du Chien WI WDGG Huntington WV WKKW Morgantown WV WTNJ Mount Hope WV WKWS Charleston WV WTCR Huntington WV



Ferguson (L) On Stage With Garth (R)





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Weeks On Chart	Last Wk Position	This Wk Position	Artist/Song/Label	Spins/ Reports	% Spin Power	Spins +-	Last Wk # Spins				
27	3	1	Jake Owen/What We Ain't Got/RCA Nashville	3527/98	9	299	3228				
20	2	2	Dierks Bentley/Say You Do/Capitol Nashville	3408/100	6	204	3204				
14	5	3	Jason Aldean/Just Gettin' Started/Broken Bow	3353/96	7	217	3136				
27	6	4	Tyler Farr/A Guy Walks Into A Bar/Columbia Nashville	3097/99	2	61	3036				
22	7	5	Easton Corbin/Baby Be My Love Song/Mercury	2719/97	6	142	2577				
16	8	6	Cole Swindell/Ain't Worth The Whiskey/Warner Bros.	2701/90	9	234	2467				
17	9	7	Eric Paslay/She Don't Love You/EMI Nashville	2501/96	7	165	2336				
6	15	8	Zac Brown Band/Homegrown/Southern Ground	2427/91	22	443	1984				
21	10	9	Josh Turner/Lay Low/MCA	2397/95	6	134	2263				
15	12	10	Billy Currington/Don't It/Mercury Nashville	2345/96	15	303	2042				
13	1	11	Blake Shelton/Lonely Tonight/Warner Bros.	2292/61	-31	-1022	3314				
10	14	12	Sam Hunt/Take Your Time/MCA	2285/86	16	319	1966				
7	16	13	Miranda Lambert/Little Red Wagon/RCA Nashville	2259/95	14	276	1983				
17	4	14	Lady Antebellum/Freestyle/Capitol	2168/65	-32	-1018	3186				
16	13	15	Toby Keith/Drunk Americans/Showdog-Universal	2120/79	4	84	2036				
21	17	16	Erica Nicole/It's Comin' Down/EN Music-PCL	2089/71	9	173	1916				
5	19	17	Keith Urban w/ Eric Church/Raise 'Em Up/Capitol Nashville	2059/97	21	361	1698				
18	20	18	Kelsea Ballerini/Love Me Like You Mean It/Black River	1782/81	8	125	1657				
5	28	19	A Thousand Horses/Smoke/Republic Nashville	1744/93	22	319	1425				
9	23	20	Little Big Town/Girl Crush/Capitol Nashville	1701/82	9	147	1554				
14	21	21	The Swon Brothers/Pray For You/Arista Nashville	1696/88	3	46	1650				
30	22	22	Canaan Smith/Love You Like That/Mercury Nashville	1635/72	5	71	1564				
5	31	23	Tim McGraw/Diamond Rings And Old Barstools/Big Machine	1572/89	23	298	1274				
13	27	24	Brantley Gilbert/One Hell Of An Amen/Valory	1534/84	7	99	1435				
20	26	25	Branch & Dean/Green Light/SSM	1494/61	2	34	1460				
11	29	26	Rachel Holder/I Think Of You/Curb	1430/62	5	67	1363				
10	30	27	Rascal Flatts/Riot/Big Machine	1385/73	8	104	1281				
4	40	28	Kenny Chesney/Wild Child/Blue Chair-Columbia	1307/77	46	414	893				
5	39	29	Brad Paisley/Crushin' It/Arista	1270/75	41	369	901				
6	34	30	Mickey Guyton/Better Than You Left Me/Capitol Nashville	1215/79	15	161	1054				
10	32	31	Lonestar/Pretty Good Day/4Star Records	1213/56	5	58	1155				
10	33	32	Chris Weaver Band/Time Has Wings/American Roots Records	1205/62	7	83	1122				
6	37	33	Reba/Going Out Like That/Nash Icon	1071/67	13	120	951				
16	35	34	Kristian Bush/Trailer Hitch/Streamsound	1064/47	7	72	992				
13	36	35	Chase Rice/Gonna Wanna Tonight/Columbia Nashville	1050/62	6	60	990				
6	38	36	Craig Wayne Boyd/My Baby's Got A Smile On Her Face/Dot Records	1032/60	13	117	915				



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17	41	37	Mike Ryan/Dancing All Around it/Rock & Soul Records	962/45	7	65	897	
3	54	38	Carrie Underwood/Little Toy Guns/Arista	946/70	70	390	556	
10	42	39	Haley & Michaels/Just Another Love Song/New Revolution Entertainment	914/54	9	78	836	
15	25	40	Justin Moore/This Kind of Town/Valory	852/51	-42	-610	1462	
15	45	41	Brian Collins/Never Really Left/Blue Light Entertainment	793/50	10	72	721	
9	43	42	Dallas Smith/Wastin' Gas/Big Loud Mountain	782/51	5	39	743	
11	44	43	John Spicer/Pretty Good At Loving You/Legend Group Records	781/42	7	53	728	
9	46	44	Steven Lee Olsen/Raised By A Good Time/Columbia Nashville	774/52	9	65	709	
6	51	45	Maddie & Tae/Fly/Dot Records	769/60	24	147	622	
7	48	46	Austin Webb/Country On You/Streamsound	735/50	10	68	667	
12	47	47	Gloriana/Trouble/Warner Bros.	734/37	7	48	686	
3	61	48	Kip Moore/I'm To Blame/MCA Nashville	688/54	46	217	471	
13	49	49	Frank Ortega/My Old Man/Villa One	678/34	6	41	637	
12	11	50	Garth Brooks/Mom/Pearl-RCA Nashville	675/27	-69	-1535	2210	
6	53	51	Frankie Ballard/Young And Crazy/Warner Bros.	673/45	17	98	575	
7	55	52	Josh Dorr/Save Your Breath/RCA Nashville	665/48	22	121	544	
5	52	53	Bobby Wills/Never Didn't Love You/Willing Nashville	658/50	9	55	603	
12	58	54	The Cains Trio/Be Yourself With Me/DayStreet Records-GMV Nashville	629/30	20	106	523	
9	56	55	Granger Smith/Bury Me In Blue Jeans/Pioneer Music	582/36	11	56	526	
7	57	56	James Otto/Somewhere Tonight/Ottopilot Records	568/37	8	42	526	
10	59	57	Chris Chitsey/Lonely In Tucson/Premier Nashville Records	529/28	3	16	513	
10	60	58	Jo Dee Messina/He's Messed Up/Dreambound Records LLC	527/32	4	19	508	
7	62	59	Dylan Scott/Lay It On Me/Sidewalk Records	469/30	7	32	437	
7	63	60	Jason Michael Carroll/God Only Knows/For The Lonely Records	468/36	111	48	420	
8	65	61	Crab Apple Lane/Hit The Ground Runnin/Chevelle Records	409/25	5	19	390	
7	66	62	Denny Strickland/Swerve On/SMG Records	406/28	11	41	365	
13	64	63	Aaron Watson/That Look/HTK Records	371/23	-11	-46	417	
3	68	64	DOWNDAY/Stuck On 17/Render	335/27	21	57	278	
13	69	65	Ricky Skaggs w/ Sharon White/Forever's Not Long Enough/skaggs Family Records	281/17	2	6	275	
2	73	66	Ricky Gunn/King Of This Town/New Canvas Entertainment	260/23	27	56	204	
3	71	67	James Carothers/I Must Be Alive/	254/15	8	19	235	
2	72	68	Big & Rich/Run Away With You/New Revolution	245/18	19	39	206	
9	67	69	Colt Ford/Crank It Up/Average Joe's	222/15	-35	-120	342	
2	75	70	Kaitlyn Baker/Burn/Silvercreek Records	210/15	18	32	178	
1	0	71	Eric Church/Like A Wrecking Ball/EMI	201/15	0	201	0	
1	91	72	Parmalee/Already Callin' You Mine/Stoney Creek	198/18	85	91	107	
2	79	73	Emily Haines/Baby It's You/Evolution	186/12	21	32	154	
2	74	74	Cody Johnson/Cowboy Like Me/Cojo Music	182/10	1	1	181	
1	82	75	Rachael Turner/Matches and Moonshine/Rustic Records	180/16	27	38	142	
	159	76	Florida Georgia Line/Sippin' on Fire/Republic Nashville	176/19	780	156	20	
1	83	77	Kayla Calabrese/Whisper/SMG Nashville	176/17	25	35	141	
2	76	78	Smith N Western/Fallen Angel/80 Proof Music Group Inc.	173/13	2	3	170	
2	80	79	Mitchell Tenpenny/Black Crow/Creation Lab Records	172/14	15	23	149	
2	78	80	Matt Farris/She's Done/Skytone Entertainment	171/13	8	12	159	
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