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GRAMMY[®] NOMINEES JOHN LEGEND, MACKLEMORE & RYAN LEWIS, KACEY MUSGRAVES, TAYLOR SWIFT, AND KEITH URBAN TO PERFORM ON THE 56TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS[®]

**NOMINEE PAUL MCCARTNEY AND RINGO STARR
EACH WILL PERFORM**

NOMINEE SARA BAREILLES AND 2014 MUSICARES[®] PERSON OF THE YEAR CAROLE KING TOGETHER IN A SPECIAL PERFORMANCE

*Music's Biggest Night[®] Airs Live on CBS Sunday, Jan. 26, 8 P.M. ET/PT
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SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Jan. 14, 2014) — The latest performers for the [56th Annual GRAMMY Awards[®]](#) telecast were announced today and they include: current GRAMMY[®] nominees **John Legend**, **Macklemore & Ryan Lewis**, **Kacey Musgraves**, **Taylor Swift**, and **Keith Urban**, as well as nominee **Paul McCartney** and **Ringo Starr** — who as members of the Beatles will receive the 2014 Recording Academy Lifetime Achievement Award. Other special performances include nominee **Sara Bareilles** together with four-time GRAMMY winner and 2014 MusiCares[®] Person of the Year **Carole King**. Two-time GRAMMY winner **LL COOL J** returns as host of Music's Biggest Night[®]. The music industry's premier event will take place live on **Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014**, at **STAPLES Center** in **Los Angeles** and will be broadcast in high-definition TV and 5.1 surround sound on the **CBS Television Network** from **8 – 11:30 p.m. (ET/PT)**. The show also will be supported on radio worldwide via Westwood One, and covered online at GRAMMY.com and CBS.com. Additional performers, presenters and special segments will be announced soon. For GRAMMY coverage, updates and breaking news, please visit The Recording Academy[®]'s social networks on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/GRAMMYs), [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/GRAMMYs), and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/GRAMMYs).

This will be the first performance on the GRAMMY Awards telecast for Sara Bareilles, Macklemore & Ryan Lewis, Kacey Musgraves, and Ringo Starr.

Macklemore & Ryan Lewis have seven nominations: Album Of The Year and Best Rap Album for *The Heist*; Song Of The Year for "Same Love" (along with Mary Lambert); Best Rap Performance (along with Wanz) and Best Rap Song for "Thrift Shop"; Best Music Video for "Can't Hold Us" (along with Ray Dalton, Jon Jon Augustavo, Tricia Davis, Honna Kimmerer, Jenny Koenig, and Jason Koenig); and Best New Artist.

Kacey Musgraves and seven-time GRAMMY winner Taylor Swift have four nods each: Musgraves is nominated for Best New Artist, has two nominations in Best Country Song for "Mama's Broken Heart" (along with Brandy Clark and Shane McAnally) and "Merry Go 'Round" (along with Shane McAnally and Josh Osborne), and is nominated for Best Country Album for *Same Trailer Different Park*; Swift is up for Album Of The Year and Best Country Album for *Red*, Best Country Duo/Group Performance for "Highway Don't Care" (along with Tim McGraw and Keith Urban), and Best Country Song for "Begin Again."

Sara Bareilles and 16-time GRAMMY winner Paul McCartney are each up for two awards: Bareilles is nominated for Album Of The Year for *The Blessed Unrest* and Best Pop Solo Performance for "Brave"; and McCartney is up for Best Rock Song for "Cut Me Some Slack" (along with Dave Grohl, Krist Novoselic, and Pat Smear) and Best Music Film for *Live Kisses* (along with Jonas Åkerlund, Violaine Etienne, Aron Levine & Scott Rodger).

Nine-time GRAMMY winner John Legend and four-time GRAMMY winner Keith Urban each have a nomination: Legend is nominated for Best R&B Album for *Love In The Future*; and Urban has a nod in Best Country Duo/Group Performance for "Highway Don't Care" (along with Tim McGraw and Taylor Swift).

Previously announced performers include current nominees **Daft Punk** with nominee **Nile Rodgers** (of Chic), nominee **Pharrell Williams**, and 25-time GRAMMY winner **Stevie Wonder**; nominee **Kendrick Lamar** joined by nominees **Imagine Dragons**; nominee **Lorde**; eight-time GRAMMY-winning group **Metallica** and GRAMMY Cultural Ambassador to China **Lang Lang** performing together; nominee **Katy Perry**; nominees **P!nk** and **Nate Ruess** (of FUN.); nominee **Robin Thicke** and GRAMMY-winning group **Chicago**, whose debut album was inducted into the GRAMMY Hall Of Fame® this year; and a special performance featuring **Merle Haggard**, 2014 Recording Academy Lifetime Achievement Award recipient **Kris Kristofferson**, **Willie Nelson**, and nominee **Blake Shelton**. Also performing with Daft Punk are the RAM (*Random Access Memories*) session players: Chris Caswell, Nathan East, Omar Hakim, and Paul Jackson Jr.

The 56th Annual GRAMMY Awards are produced by AEG Ehrlich Ventures for The Recording Academy. Ken Ehrlich is executive producer, Louis J. Horvitz is director, and David Wild and Ken Ehrlich are the writers.

Established in 1957, The Recording Academy is an organization of musicians, songwriters, producers, engineers and recording professionals that is dedicated to improving the cultural condition and quality of life for music and its makers. Internationally known for the GRAMMY Awards — the preeminent peer-recognized award for musical excellence and the most credible brand in music — The Recording Academy is responsible for groundbreaking professional development, cultural enrichment, advocacy, education and human services programs. The Academy continues to focus on its mission of recognizing musical excellence, advocating for the well-being of music makers and ensuring music remains an indelible part of our culture. For more information about The Academy, please visit www.grammy.com. For breaking news and exclusive content, follow @TheGRAMMYS on [Twitter](#), like "The GRAMMYS" on [Facebook](#), and join The GRAMMYS' social communities on [Foursquare](#), [GetGlue](#), [Google +](#), [Instagram](#), [Pinterest](#), [Tumblr](#), and [YouTube](#).

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