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GRAMMY® NOMINEES CHRIS BROWN, TONY BENNETT AND CARRIE UNDERWOOD ADDED TO THE LINEUP FOR THE 54TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS®

ALICIA KEYS AND BONNIE RAITT TO REMEMBER ETTA JAMES

*Marc Anthony, Lady Antebellum and Ryan Seacrest
To Present at the Music Industry's Premier Event*

*Music's Biggest Night® — Hosted by Rapper/Actor LL COOL J — Airs Live on CBS
Sunday, Feb. 12, 8 ET/PT*

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Feb. 7, 2012) — Current GRAMMY® nominee **Chris Brown**; nominees **Tony Bennett** and **Carrie Underwood**, who will perform together; and 14-time GRAMMY winner **Alicia Keys** and nine-time GRAMMY winner **Bonnie Raitt**, who will remember Etta James, have been added to the stellar lineup for the **54th Annual GRAMMY Awards®** (www.grammy.com). Two-time GRAMMY and three-time Latin GRAMMY® winner **Marc Anthony**, six-time GRAMMY winners and current nominees **Lady Antebellum**, and television and radio host/producer **Ryan Seacrest** will appear as presenters. *Music's Biggest Night®* — hosted by two-time GRAMMY winner **LL COOL J** — takes place live on **Sunday, Feb. 12** at STAPLES Center in Los Angeles and will be broadcast in high definition 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 Dial Global, and covered online at **GRAMMY.com** and **CBS.com**, and on YouTube at www.youtube.com/thegrammys. 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 and Facebook: www.twitter.com/thegrammys, www.facebook.com/thegrammys.

Brown has three nominations: Best R&B Album for *F.A.M.E.*, and Best Rap Performance (with Lil Wayne and Busta Rhymes) and Best Rap Song for "Look At Me Now."

Fourteen-time GRAMMY Winner and Recording Academy Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Bennett has two nods: Best Pop Duo/Group Performance for "Body And Soul" (with Amy Winehouse), and Best Traditional Pop Album for *Duets II* (with Various Artists).

Five-time GRAMMY winner Underwood is nominated for Best Country Solo Performance for "Mama's Song."

Previously announced performers for the 54th Annual GRAMMY Awards include **Adele** (in her first live performance since undergoing vocal cord surgery last fall); **Jason Aldean** and **Kelly Clarkson**; **Glen Campbell** with **The Band Perry** and **Blake Shelton**; **Coldplay** and **Rihanna**; **Foo Fighters**; **Bruno Mars**; **Paul McCartney**; **Nicki Minaj**; **Katy Perry**; **Bruce Springsteen And The E Street Band**; and **Taylor Swift**. Aldean, The Band Perry, Minaj, and Shelton will perform on the GRAMMY telecast for

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the first time. Previously announced presenters are **Dierks Bentley, Jack Black, Drake, Fergie, Miranda Lambert, Gwyneth Paltrow, Ahmir "Questlove" Thompson,** and **Ringo Starr**. LL COOL J has hosted "The GRAMMY Nominations Concert Live!! — Countdown To Music's Biggest Night" since its inception in December 2008, and this is his first time hosting the annual GRAMMY Awards telecast.

The 54th Annual GRAMMY Awards are produced by John Cossette Productions and 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.

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