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Obituary**Ca-na-da's Bobby Gimby is dead at 79**

Bobby Gimby, affectionately known as "Ca-na-da's Pied Piper" died in a nursing home in North Bay. The famous trumpeter, who wrote Ca-na-da in celebration of Canada's Centennial (1967), was 79 when he passed away peacefully in his sleep.

The following appeared in the March 18, 1967 issue of RPM. "It was in May of last year when Ben (McPeek) was approached by Bobby Gimby to produce a record having a contemporary sound. This was subsequently used as background to an industrial film which was produced by Herriot Productions. The name of the song was Canada. A few people thought this would be a good vehicle to promote Canada's Centennial year, so Ben was

asked to arrange a demo session which could be submitted to the government. The session was made up of accordion, lead guitar and bass and the voices of three French Canadian youngsters."

The government approved the commercial and McPeek was given the task of arranging the musical production and the booking of the singers.

From the same RPM article. "Thirty of Canada's best musicians, many well known, gathered at Hallmark Studios in Toronto. Also on the session were six English Canadian children under the choral direction of Laurie Bower and six French Canadian youngsters who were directed by Raymond Berthiaume. Seven hours later, under the watchful eyes of eleven government observers, Ben had completed the Gimby tune of Canada as well as the Centennial Train which he wrote and arranged himself.

"Initially, Canada was to be sold as a 45 single, only as part of the Centennial Train promotion. Those who came to view the train could pick up their souvenir copy of Canada. Those with some knowledge of the record business could see the potential of a record of this type and made the suggestion that the record be leased to a Canadian record company for distribution across Canada. The government agreed and tenders were sent out and Quality Records was awarded the contract which turned out to be the best selling Canadian record in their history, thanks to the musical genius of Ben McPeek."

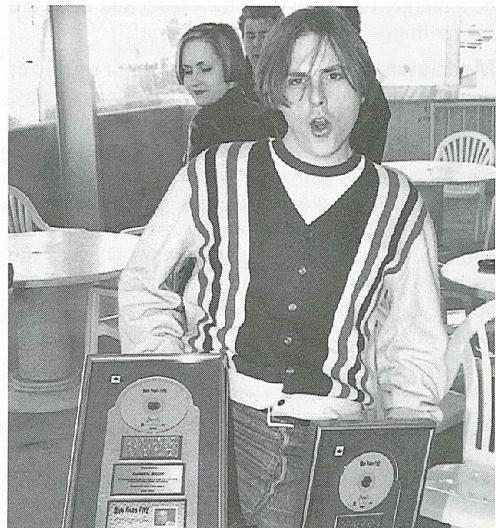
With high energy television promos, picturing Mr. Gimby leading hundreds of youngsters down

what looked like main street Canada, plus the airplay, he became the Pied Piper of Canada. That same year Mr. Gimby was made an officer of the Order of Canada.

Mr. Gimby began his musical career with Vancouver's Mart Kenney and his Western Gentlemen where he was the lead trumpeter. The Kenney group became one of the country's top dance bands.

Mr. Gimby was also featured on the popular CBC's Happy Gang through the '40s and '50s, an eleven year association. He was also a highly successful pop songwriter and writer of jingles. His songs have been recorded by Georgia Gibbs, Ray Bolger, Max Bygraves and Peggy Lee.

Mr. Gimby was born in Cabri, Saskatchewan. His wife Grace, who was also from Saskatchewan, predeceased him in 1977.



Robert Sledge of Ben Folds Five with Epic gold for Whatever and Ever Amen.

Oz cast album recorded at Manta Eastern Sound

Toronto's Manta Eastern Sound was the setting (June 21) for the recording of the first cast album of The Wizard Of Oz, which stars Mickey Rooney as the Wizard and Eartha Kitt as the Wicked Witch and Jessica Grove as Dorothy. The album which will be released on the TTV label is being produced by Robert Sher.

Oz is currently in the midst of a multi-city North American tour and has been playing to capacity houses at the Hummingbird Centre in Toronto since its opening on June 5. The show closes on June 27 and moves on to San Francisco, returning to Canada to play Calgary's Jubilee Auditorium (Aug. 7-22) and Vancouver's Ford Centre (Dec. 4 - Jan. 3).

Southam and Pattison buy stake in Livent

Conrad Black and Jim Pattison have made individual bids to acquire shares in Livent.

Black's newspaper company, Southam Inc. is buying 1.5 million Livent shares for a reported \$18 million, which will give Black, who is a Livent director, 5 per cent of Livent's common shares.

Pattison, a well known west coast entrepreneur who owns Vancouver-based Pattison Group, is buying 100,000 common shares of Livent at \$8.00 US through Great Pacific Financing, another of his companies. Pattison is also a director of Livent.

Livent has been constantly in the entertainment

news, having won 18 Tony Awards, including four for Ragtime, best musical for Kiss of the Spider Woman, and best musical revival for Show Boat. Since opening on Broadway, Ragtime has been the highest grossing production on the great white way.

Most recently Livent became a hot item in financial circles when former Walt Disney president Michael Ovitz bought 2.5 million shares, resulting in Livent founder Garth Drabinsky moving to the position of creative head of the company.

Livent is currently in the pre-production stages of Fosse, which will open in Toronto next month.

SOCAN'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Standing (l to r) Eddie Schwartz, Victor Davies, Mark Altman, Jehan Valiquet, Michael Conway Baker (newly elected), Holger Petersen, Alexander Mair, Frank Davies, Michael McCarty; seated (l to r) Pierre-Daniel Rheault (newly elected), Bill Henderson (past president), Jane McGarrigle, Gilles Valiquette (new president), Murray McLauchlan, George Ullmann. (see photo below)



Chris Jangaard, Simon Rayner, Tara Foster, Steve Macklam, Paddy Moloney and BMG's Norman Miller at record launch of Fire In The Kitchen in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. (photo K.Clark)



SOCAN's new board of directors (see above block) for the period of 1998 to 2000, perhaps celebrating the birth of SOCAN's tariff covering digital networks and the Internet. (photo Cathy Bidini)

WALT SAYS . . . !



with Elvira Capreese

Holding our breath!!! Rumours have it that a very likeable, very visible, very hands on corporate mover and shaker who has the respect of the whole industry, is working without a contract. Could there be a merger or takeover in the offing and there are bigger things for him? (EC: *We hope!!!*)

Meltdown!!! As the world downsizes or rightsizes or whatever buzzwords they want to throw our way, the record industry is recreating itself again and anyone who was around back when rock and roll was king . . . can tell you it all changes, but remains the same. There won't be a day when the music will STOP! It will just be a new cast of players and some new technology but the same BS and the money will just keep rolling in! Speaking of poison apples, look what happened to Hollywood! (EC: *Good point! But I don't get it!!!*) Think about it! (EC: *I wasn't very good at history. That's why I chose this business . . . that doesn't want one!!!*) Unless you can re-release it as a box set!

Tripping over themselves??? When you reach a certain status in the international corporate world it quite often pays to be fired. We're talking millions here, and some of these guys are lining up to get the chop, which makes you wonder how dedicated they were in the first place. Have you ever heard of an international big shot record exec who was destitute after walking the plank? A few of them have taken their severances and launched new companies or bought into companies that needed a cash and/or creative injection. Pity should go to the poor guys who dedicated 15 or 20 years to a company and all they get is a couple of weeks severance for each month. (EC: *The American way!!!*)

Who's the winner here??? A defrocked record exec was overheard making the following

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uncomplimentary remark to a rising corporate star, in front of his wife yet; "I never thought you'd reach the level you have!" (EC: *A left-handed compliment???*)

So the Silver Rail is gone!!! I wonder how many bleeding hearts who are concerned about the passing of the Silver Rail, have been there lately? You can't keep going if you don't have support. Frankly I always thought the place was a dump, and I won't miss it. Speaking of passing landmarks, I still have all those beautiful brass platings and couples that adorned that famous white door of the Steele's Tavern, which was nestled between Sam The Record Man and A&A Records & Books. Sam bought this prime location, which began his expansion which now takes in the whole corner of Gould and Yonge Streets. Someday I'm going to put those brass plates and couplings on RPM's front door. (EC: *Why's it taking you so long???*)

Is there a story here??? What was JR doing wandering the esplanade of that larger than large company, easing by the piano and street lamps and other paraphernalia, but staying away from the drum kit? I'm sure he wasn't there for a listening session or a board meeting . . . or was he? (EC: *Maybe he was making Canada's funniest video!!!*)

Kelly Jay's in the news!!! Kelly Jay is becoming more and more eloquent as the years go by. He was recently in the news when he snatched his five year old daughter away from a known pedophile on a Calgary street. Although the 6'4" 280 pound founder of Crowbar could have destroyed this predator with one punch, he called 911 and the authorities had this guy in custody within minutes. Kelly was interviewed on CBC Radio's *As It Happens*, and what an image he portrayed; a caring father, a believer in the system and a very gentle and kind giant. I think Kelly's next move should be into the political arena. It's not too late. (EC: *It's never too late!!!*)

Goodbye Stanley!!! Hey! Last Thursday (June 18) was pretty emotional for a bunch of us. Warner Music Canada president Stan Kulin bid farewell to the industry, well almost. He'll be back as chairman of CARAS. But this was sort of the formal adieu from the day-to-day activities as head of a major record company. The place was incredible. I met people I thought had passed on to the great beyond, and a couple of them looked like they had. There were too many to mention, but I'm hoping we'll have a bunch of photos to chronicle this event. At last count, there were 670 well-wishers, not counting the security, and some pretty beefy ladies. The video tributes from some of these people are priceless which I'm sure Stan will enjoy when he's back on the farm in the foothills of the Rockies. Now, isn't that a nice pay off . . . after all those years dedicated to the industry, to be able to relax and count the sheep, day in . . . and day out? Sounds boring! But too each his own, and he deserves it. (EC: *Counting sheep? Is there a message there???*)

Helmut Lotti was wild!!! This Belgium popster who sings classical music is an incredible act. I was fortunate enough to be among the more than 2,700 primarily blue rinse crowd at his show at Toronto's Massey Hall. There were bus loads coming in from Pittsburgh, Buffalo and Rochester, big towns and little cities in Michigan and Ontario. I couldn't believe it. The energy this guy threw out to his audience almost caused more than a few near coronaries. Don't knock it. Unlike his much wider European demographic, he has a winning formula for North America. Most of the audience wanted to

curl him and take him home for more cuddling. He was accompanied by the Trois-Rivières Symphony Orchestra and 12-member choral group, a couple of bus loads at least. With that kind of backing and his incredible vocal range, no wonder the crowd went wild. When he got into Hey Jude, he moved out into the audience and even up into the second and third balconies. He knows how to work an audience. I was pretty sick of Hey Jude by the time he got back on stage, and the conductor looked like he'd had enough. But that's showbiz and it's too bad he was only in for one night. He could have done four. (EC: *Blue rinse crowd???*)

Charitable to a tee!!! What record company president donated his prize possession, a huge photo of Phil Collins, right off the wall in his office, to the CHUM Charitable Foundation? The photo was donated on the spur of the moment at the annual golf tournament and one bidder took it . . . for \$1,500. (EC: *Yes! Go on! Not even an initial???*)

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TOP 100 CDS

Compiled from retail and radio station reports.

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MAPL: Indicates album has some Cancan

1 1 6 **NOW! 3**
Various Artists (Universal) 81072-J

35 36 8 **FAITH HILL**
Faith (Warner Bros.) 46790-P

68 66 4 **NATALIE MERCHANT**
Ophelia (Elektra) 62196-P

2 NEW **KEVIN PARENT**
Grand Parleur (Tacca) 4510-Select

36 31 9 **NOTRE DAME DE PARIS**
Various Artists (Select) 807-Select

69 63 4 **SMASH**
Various Artists (Polymedia) 555895-Q

3 NEW **BRANDY**
Never Say Never (Atlantic) 63039-P

37 38 3 **HOPE FLOATS O.S.T.**
Various Artists (EMI) 93402-F

70 73 12 **COUNTRY HEAT 1998**
Various Artists (Arista) 55772-N

4 2 2 **SMASHING PUMPKINS**
Adore (Virgin) 45879-F

38 40 23 **WILL SMITH**
Big Willie Style (Columbia) 68683-H

71 56 22 **K-CI & JOJO**
Love Always (MCA) 11613-J

5 5 4 **GODZILLA O.S.T.**
Various Artists (Epic) 69338-H

39 37 23 **MATCHBOX 20**
Yourself Or Someone Like You (Lava) 92721-P

72 64 23 **GARTH BROOKS**
Sevens (EMI) 56599-F

6 3 4 **GROOVE STATION 4**
Various Artists (Ariola) 58378-N

40 NEW **CLUB CUTZ 101**
Various Artists (BMG) 56768-N

73 79 14 **SARAH BRIGHTMAN**
Time To Say Goodbye (Angell) 56311-F

7 4 8 **BULWORTH O.S.T.**
Various Artists (Interscope) 90160-J

41 32 2 **X FILES O.S.T.**
Various Artists (Elektra) 62200-P

74 76 7 **THE RANKINS**
Uprooted (EMI) 21202-F

8 9 23 **AQUA**
Aquarium (MCA) 85020-J

42 55 2 **BROOKS & DUNN**
If You See Her (Arista) 18865-N

75 68 19 **PEARL JAM**
Yield (Epic) 68164-H

9 6 11 **CITY OF ANGELS O.S.T.**
Various Artists (Warner Bros.) 46867-P

43 39 4 **DMX**
It's Dark & Hell Is Hot (Def Jam) 558227-Q

76 67 12 **MC MARIO MIXDOWN 1998**
Various Artists (Sony TV) 24041-H

10 7 23 **SPICE GIRLS**
Spice World (Virgin) 45111-F

44 42 6 **LES COLOCS**
De Hors Novembre (Musi-Art)-Select

77 65 2 **GLORIA ESTEFAN**
Gloria (Epic) 91191-H

11 11 23 **SHANIA TWAIN**
Come On Over (Mercury) 536003-Q

45 33 7 **DAVE MATTHEWS BAND**
Before These Crowded Streets (RCA) 67660-N

78 46 2 **ONYX**
Shut 'Em Down (Def Jam) 536988-N

12 8 16 **MADONNA**
Ray Of Light (Maverick) 46847-P

46 43 4 **TERRI CLARK**
How Feel (Mercury) 558211-Q

79 59 16 **DESTINY'S CHILD**
Destiny's Child (Columbia) 67728-H

13 14 16 **ALL SAINTS**
All Saints (London) 556004-Q

47 45 5 **LENNY KRAVITZ**
5 (Virgin) 45605-F

80 41 2 **LORD TARIQ & PETER GUNZ**
Make It Reign (Columbia) 69010-H

14 10 10 **HIT ZONE 4**
Various Artists (Polymedia) 555 738-Q

48 44 23 **BRYAN ADAMS**
Unplugged (A&M) 831197-Q

81 RE 22 **LEAHY**
Leahy (Virgin) 42955-F

15 13 12 **FRANK SINATRA**
My Way (WEA) 46710-P

49 57 14 **ERIC CLAPTON**
Pilgrim (Reprise) 46577-P

82 86 23 **WOMEN & SONG**
Various Artists (Warner Bros.) 36116-P

16 12 23 **SAVAGE GARDEN**
Savage Garden (Columbia) 67954-H

50 48 7 **SLOAN**
Navy Blues (Murder) 36-J

83 70 5 **HANSON**
3 Car Garage (Mercury) 558399-Q

17 16 6 **ALLY McBEAL O.S.T.**
Various Artists (Epic) 69365-H

51 50 7 **BIG PUNISHER**
Capitol Punishment (RCA) 57883-N

84 72 9 **PROPELLERHEADS**
Decksandrumsandruckandrill (Dreamworks) 50031-J

18 21 9 **NEXT**
Rated Next (Arista) 18973-N

52 NEW **NEW COUNTRY 5**
Various Artists (WEA) 36524-P

85 80 15 **BRIAN McKNIGHT**
Anytime (Mercury) 536215-Q

19 27 23 **SARAH McLACHLAN**
Surfacing (Nettwerk) 30116-F

53 47 8 **MASSIVE ATTACK**
Mezzanine (Virgin) 45603-F

86 83 23 **OUR LADY PEACE**
Clumsy (Columbia) 80242-H

20 17 23 **TITANIC O.S.T.**
Various Artists (Sony) 63213-H

54 54 2 **REBA McENTIRE**
If You See Him (MCA Nashville) 70019-J

87 78 23 **MASE**
Harlem World (Arista) 73017-N

21 26 12 **N SYNC**
N SYNC (RCA) 57189-N

55 NEW **JOHN FOGERTY**
Premotion (Reprise) 46908-P

88 87 23 **CREED**
My Own Prison (Attic) 21500-J

22 23 23 **CELINE DION**
Let's Talk About Love (Columbia) 68861-H

56 28 2 **MASTER P**
The Last Don (Virgin) 46018-F

89 85 4 **SEMISONIC**
Feeling Strangely Fine (Universal) 11733-J

23 18 23 **ANDREA BOCELLI**
Romanza (Philips) 56456-Q

57 49 7 **LILITH FAIR**
Various Artists (Nettwerk) 30125-F

90 71 12 **ANDREA BOCELLI**
The Opera Album (Philips) 462003-Q

24 22 23 **BIG SHINY TUNES 2**
Various Artists (WCU) 36040-P

58 61 14 **THE FULL MONTY O.S.T.**
Various Artists (RCA Victor) 689042-N

91 NEW **THE MOFFATTS**
Chapter 1: A New Beginning (EMI) 95169-F

25 15 5 **GARBAGE**
Version 2.0 (Almo) 80018-J

59 51 7 **PUBLIC ENEMY**
He Got Game (Def Jam) 558130-Q

92 84 2 **MONSTER MAGNET**
Powertrip (AdW) 540908-Q

26 24 14 **NATALIE IMBRUGLIA**
Left Of The Middle (RCA) 67634-N

60 52 6 **TORI AMOS**
From The Choirgirl Hotel (Atlantic) 83095-P

93 81 23 **WYCLEF JEAN**
Carnival (Columbia) 67974-H

27 19 11 **FASTBALL**
All The Pain Money Can Buy (Hollywood) 621302-Q

61 62 14 **BIG WRECK**
In Loving Memory Of (WEA) 83032-P

94 93 12 **EMMA SHAPPLIN**
Carmine (Coeur De Lion)-GAM

28 25 2 **ROD STEWART**
When We Were The New Boys (Warner Bros.) 46792-

62 53 4 **SUPER HITS '98**
Various Artists (Popular) 203235-P

95 89 23 **BACKSTREET BOYS**
Backstreet Boys (Jive/Zomba) 15981-N

29 29 23 **BACKSTREET BOYS**
Backstreet's Back (Jive) 41617-N

63 58 23 **LOREENA McKENNITT**
The Book Of Secrets (WEA) 19404-P

96 88 17 **PHILOSOPHER KINGS**
Famous Rich And Beautiful (Columbia) 80291-H

30 NEW **SLAYER**
Diabolus In Musica (Columbia) 69192-H

64 75 8 **GEORGE STRAIT**
One Step At A Time (MCA) 70020-J

97 74 3 **JOEE**
Truth (Popular) 203243-P

31 20 3 **GARTH BROOKS**
Garth Brooks Limited Box Series (Capitol) 94572-F

65 60 23 **MUCH DANCE 1997**
Various Artists (PolyGram) 40117-Q

98 92 23 **JANET JACKSON**
Velvet Rope (Virgin) 44762-F

32 35 23 **THE VERVE**
Urban Hymns (Virgin) 44913-F

66 NEW **CHERRY POPPIN' DADDIES**
Zoot Suit Riot (Mojo) 53081-J

99 96 23 **GREEN DAY**
Nimrod (Reprise) 46794-P

33 30 6 **LEANN RIMES**
Sittin' On Top Of The World (Curb) 77901-F

67 NEW **DWIGHT YOAKAM**
Long Way Home (Reprise) 46918-P

100 69 2 **TRICKY**
Angels With Dirty Faces (Island) 542520-Q

34 34 23 **SPICE GIRLS**
Spice (Virgin) 42174-F



100 HIT TRACKS

& where to find them

Canada's Only National 100 Hit Tracks Survey

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BMG - N EMI - F Universal - J
Polygram - Q Sony - H Warner - P

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1	1	18	TORN Natalie Imbruglia - Left Of The Middle RCA 67634 (comp 34)-N	35	28	12	LUCKY MAN The Verve - Urban Hymns Virgin 44913 (CD track)-F	68	77	2	TEARIN' UP MY HEART N Sync - N Sync RCA 74321 (promo CD)-N
2	2	14	THE WAY Fastball - Make Your Mama Proud Hollywood 620452 (promo CD)-Q	36	37	8	BREAK ME SHAKE ME Savage Garden - Savage Garden Columbia 67954 (comp 072)-H	69	68	19	DESIRE Sass Jordan - The Present Aquarius 6075 (CD Track)-F
3	4	8	RAY OF LIGHT Madonna - Ray Of Light Maverick 46847 (promo CD)-F	37	41	11	LOVE, PAIN AND THE WHOLE... Amy Sky - Burnt By The Sun Iron Music 51027 (promo CD)-N	70	NEW		GHETTO SUPERSTAR Pras Michel w/Ol Dirty Bastard - Bulworth O.S.T Interscope 90160 (comp 6)-J
4	11	7	IRIS Goo Goo Dolls - City Of Angels O.S.T Reprise 46867 (promo CD)-P	38	34	16	IT'S UP TO YOU The Tuesdays - Self-titled Arista 19001 (promo CD)-N	71	43	22	AMNESIA Chumbawamba - Tubthumper Universal 53099 (CD Track)-J
5	5	16	ADIA Sarah McLachlan - Surfacing Netwerk 39708 (CD Track)-F	39	46	11	FALLING Bruce Guthro - Of Your Son EMI 571752 (Promo CD)-F	72	76	3	INTO YOU 3 Deep - Title Track Beatafactory 08012 (comp 11)-F
6	20	5	THE BOY IS MINE Brandy w/Monica - Never Say Never Atlantic 63039 (comp 360)-P	40	38	8	DREAMS The Corrs - Talk On Corners Atlantic 83106 (comp 353)-P	73	59	23	MY HEART WILL GO ON Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love 550 Music/Sony 88861-H
7	7	16	YOU'RE STILL THE ONE Shania Twain - Come On Over Mercury 314 536 003 (promo CD)-Q	41	52	9	AND THE SONG GOES (DOO DIT) Code 5 - N/A Popular N/A (comp 357)-P	74	66	29	TOGETHER AGAIN Janet Jackson - Velvet Rope Virgin 44762 (CD Track)-F
8	3	11	STOP Spice Girls - Spice World Virgin 42174 (CD Track)-F	42	35	28	TRULY MADLY DEEPLY Savage Garden - Savage Garden Columbia 67954 (CD Track)-H	75	74	17	WEIRD Hanson - Middle Of Nowhere Mercury 314 534 615 CD Track)-Q
9	9	8	NEVER EVER All Saints - All Saints London 314 556 004 (CD Track)-Q	43	49	6	OHH LA LA Rod Stewart - When We Were The New Boys Warner Bros. 46790 (comp 360)-P	76	89	3	FRIEND OF MINE Barstool Prophets - Last Of The Big Game Hunters Mercury 314 518 970 (comp 545)-Q
10	6	9	SEARCHIN' MY SOUL Vonda Shepard - Songs From Ally McBeal Epic 69363 (comp 073)-H	44	39	15	I GET LONELY Janet Jackson - Velvet Rope Virgin 44762 (CD Track)-F	77	NEW		YOU'RE A SUPERSTAR Love Inc. - Love Inc. Vik/BMG 59031 (promo CD)-N
11	10	12	UNINVITED Alanis Morissette - City Of Angels O.S.T Warner Bros. 46867 (CD Track)-P	45	47	20	MY FATHERS EYES Eric Clapton - Pilgrim Reprise 46577 (promo CD)-P	78	64	25	THE MUMMER'S DANCE Loreena McKennitt - Book Of Secrets Quinlan Road 19404 (comp344)-P
12	14	9	TOO CLOSE Next - Rated Next Arista 18973 (comp 36)-N	46	65	4	AVA ADORE Smashing Pumpkins - Adore Virgin 45879 (comp 11)-F	79	NEW		STOP Meredith Brooks - Burning The Edges Capitol 36919 (comp 9)-F
13	15	9	CRY Philosopher Kings - Famous Rich And Beautiful Columbia 80291 (comp 073)-H	47	45	13	LET'S FORGET ABOUT IT Lisa Loeb - Firecracker Geffen 25141 (CD Track)-J	80	90	2	CRUEL SUMMER Ace Of Base - Cruel Summer Arista 1921 (promo CD)-N
14	13	10	HEROS The Wallflowers - Godzilla O.S.T Epic 69338 (promo CD)-H	48	53	7	U.F.O. Holly McManland - Stuff Universal 53075 (promo CD)-J	81	70	29	BITTER SWEET SYMPHONY The Verve - Urban Hymns Virgin 44913 (CD Track)-F
15	8	23	SEX AND CANDY Marcy Playground - Marcy Playground Capitol 53569 (Pre CD)-F	49	75	2	POETS The Tragically Hip - Phantom Power Universal 81083 (promo CD)-J	82	78	33	SWEET SURRENDER Sarah McLachlan - Surfacing Netwerk 39708 (Promo CD)-F
16	16	12	I'LL BE THERE The Moffatts - N/A EMI N/A (promo CD)-F	50	56	6	LET'S SHOUT (BABY WORK IT OUT) Colin James - Colin James & The Little Big Band II WEA 23010 (promo CD)-P	83	72	17	ALL I HAVE TO GIVE Backstreet Boys - Backstreet's Back BMG 41617 (comp 33)-N
17	12	18	ALL MY LIFE K-Ci & JoJo - Love Always MCA 11613 (promo CD)-J	51	67	4	ONE WEEK Barenaked Ladies - Stunt Reprise 46963 (promo CD)-P	84	71	25	WISHING THAT Jann Arden - Happy A&M 314 540 789 (promo CD)-Q
18	19	12	REAL WORLD Matchbox 20 - Yourself Or Someone Like You Lava/Atlantic 92721 (CD track)-P	52	50	26	KISS THE RAIN Billie Meyers - Growing, Pains Universal 53100 (promo CD)-J	85	93	5	MILES FROM OUR HOME Cowboy Junkies - Miles From Our Home Geffen 25201 (promo CD)-J
19	18	10	MONEY CITY MANIACS Sloan - Navy Blues Murder 36 (promo CD)-J	53	60	11	OOH IT'S KINDA CRAZY Indecision - Massive Dance Hits Vol. 3 Popular 3334 (pro single)-P	86	NEW		IMMORTALITY Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love Columbia 68861 (comp 075)-H
20	21	19	EVERYWHERE Bran Van 3000 - Glee Audio Gram 10105 (CD Track)-Select	54	81	3	SINCE WHEN 54/40 - Title-track Columbia 80336 (comp 074)-H	87	83	10	MOST HIGH Jimmy Page & Robert Plant - Walking Into Clarksdale Warner 83092 (promo CD)-P
21	36	4	I DON'T WANT TO MISS A THING Aerosmith - Armageddon O.S.T Columbia 69440 (promo CD)-H	55	42	18	TURN BACK TIME Aqua - Aquarium Universal 6075 (promo CD)-J	88	79	22	HURTS TO LOVE YOU Philosopher Kings - Famous Rich And Beautiful Columbia 80291 (comp 069)-H
22	26	4	ZOOT SUIT RIOT Cherry Poppin' Daddies - Title track Mojo 53081 (promo CD)-J	56	44	30	3 AM Matchbox 20 - Yourself Or Someone Like You Lava/Atlantic 92721 (CD Track)-P	89	85	28	BACK TO YOU Bryan Adams - Bryan Adams Unplugged A&M 314 454 0831 (promo CD)-Q
23	22	10	ANYTIME Brian McKnight - Anytime A&M 314 536 215 (promo CD)-Q	57	54	12	THAT SONG Big Wreck - In Loving Memory Of... Atlantic 83032 (comp 350)-P	90	73	20	ARE YOU JIMMY RAY? Jimmy Ray - Jimmy Ray Epic 69014 (promo CD)-H
24	25	5	KIND & GENEROUS Natalie Merchant - Ophelia Elektra 62196 (promo CD)-P	58	55	13	THE GAME Wide Mouth Mason - Wide Mouth Mason Warner Bros. 17328 (CD Track)-P	91	82	22	TOO MUCH Spice Girls - Spice World Virgin 42174 (CD Track)-F
25	17	19	I WANT YOU BACK N Sync - N Sync RCA 74321 57189 (CD Track)-N	59	80	3	IF I COULD Joe - Truth Popular 3232 (comp 356)-P	92	97	2	ANY DAY NOW The Watchmen - Silent Radar EMI 59031 (promo CD)-F
26	23	11	I'M READY Bryan Adams - Bryan Adams Unplugged A&M 314 454 0831 (promo CD)-Q	60	62	14	ME Paula Cole - This Fire Warner Bros. 46424 (comp 349)-P	93	92	4	HOME Sean Lennon - In To The Sun Grand Royal 94551 (promo CD)-F
27	24	19	BROKEN BONES Love Inc. - Much Dance '97 Mercury 51559 (CD Track)-Q	61	57	14	HANDS Chantal Kreviazuk - Under These Rocks And Stones Columbia 67926 (promo CD)-H	94	94	3	YOU WANT MORE Holly Cole - Dear Dark Heart Alert 615 281 034 (promo CD)-Q
28	31	8	I KNOW YOU Jann Arden - Happy? A&M 314 540 789 (Promo CD)-Q	62	61	5	APPARITIONS Matthew Good Band - Underdogs A&M 280 994 001 (promo CD)-Q	95	86	17	GETTIN' JIGGY WIT IT Will Smith - Big Willie Style Columbia 68683 (comp 068)-H
29	29	18	FROZEN Madonna - Ray Of Light Maverick 46847 (promo CD)-F	63	51	13	NOTHING ON ME Shawn Colvin - A Few Small Repairs Columbia 67119 (CD Track)-H	96	87	19	HARD TO MAKE A STAND Sheryl Crow - Shery Crow A&M 314 540 587 (CD Track)-Q
30	30	7	MY ALL Mariah Carey - Butterfly Columbia 67835 (comp 072)-H	64	63	10	THREE SEEDS The New Meanyees - Three Seeds Virgin 53443 (promo CD)-F	97	91	17	SHELF IN THE ROOM Days Of The New - Days Of The New Outpost 30004 (comp 1)-J
31	33	15	DO YOU REALLY WANT ME Robyn - Robyn Is Here Arista 67477 (promo CD)-N	65	69	7	FIRE IN THE HOLE Van Halen - 3 Warner 46662 (promo CD)-P	98	84	21	I KNOW WHERE IT'S AT All Saints - All Saints London 314 556 004 (CD Track)-Q
32	32	14	FOREST FIRE David Usher - Little Songs EMI 231152 (promo CD)-F	66	58	11	LIKE I LOVE YOU Amy Grant - Behind The Eyes A&M 314 540 760 (comp 030298)-Q	99	88	21	BRICK Ben Folds Five - Whatever & Ever Amen Sony 7554 (promo CD)-H
33	27	15	ONE BELIEF AWAY Bonnie Raitt - Fundamental EMI 563972 (promo CD)-F	67	48	25	TIME OF YOUR LIFE Green Day - Nimrod Warner 46794 (CD Track)-P	100	96	16	RECOVER YOUR SOUL Elton John - The Big Picture Mercury 314 568 109 (comp 030298)-Q
34	40	9	DON'T DRINK THE WATER Dave Matthews Band - Before These Crowded... RCA 67660 (comp 38)-N								



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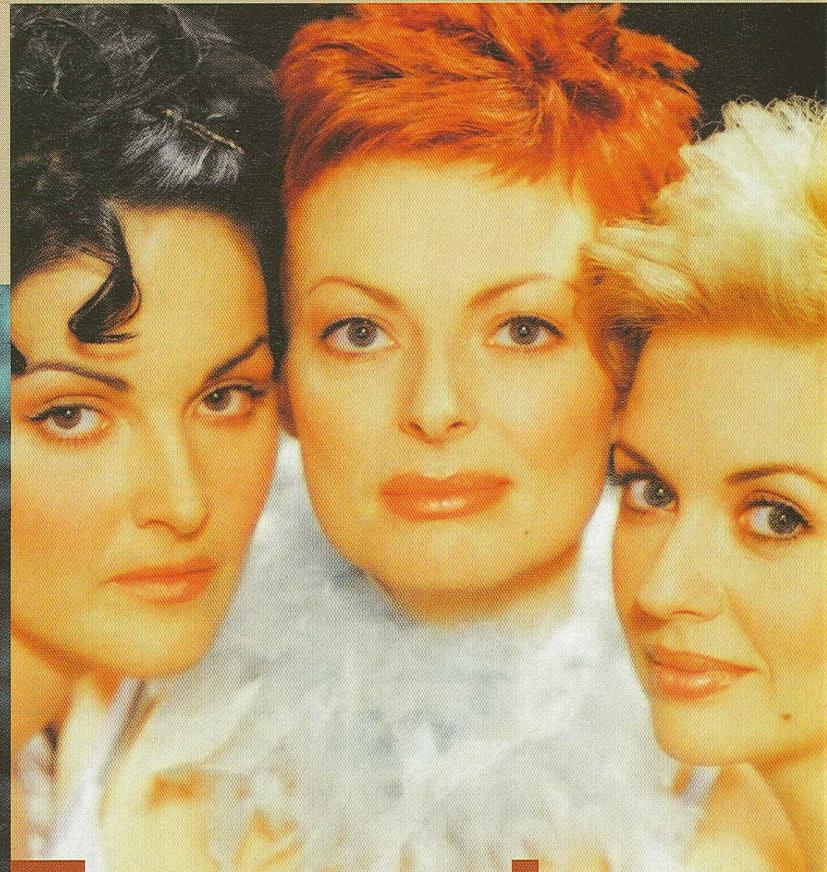
Jason McCoy



BIG COUNTRY nominee
"Male Vocalist Of The Year"

Nominated for CCMA Fan Choice Award

Ontario CMA
"Male Vocalist Of The Year"



Farmer's Daughter

BIG COUNTRY nominee
"Group or Duo Of The Year"

Nominee for CCMA Fan Choice Award

Juno Award Winner
"Country Group Of The Year"

CCMA Award Winner
"Group/Duo Of The Year"



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FEMALE ARTIST



SHANIA TWAIN

1995 was a very special year in the life of Shania Twain. That was the year she received her first award of accomplishment. It was an RPM Big Country Award for 1995's Outstanding New Artist. Once again Twain is up for multiple awards at this year's show. The Timmins Ontario, native has made a definite impact south of the border since her career took off in 1996. Although most of her time is spent in the US, Twain's roots are firmly planted in Canada. She is a proud Canadian who is up for three Big Country Awards, Female Artist, Album (Come On Over) and Country Song Of The Year (Love Gets Me Every Time).



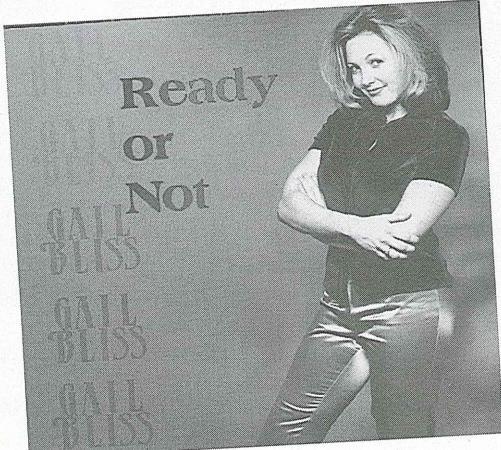
MICHELLE WRIGHT

The greatest personal success that Michelle Wright has ever experienced is the connection that she has established with her Canadian country music fans. Wright, from Chatham, Ontario has received numerous awards for her music as well as her charity work. Now residing in Nashville, Wright still enjoys every opportunity that arises for her to come home and perform. Wright is up for three Big Country Awards at this year's ceremony. Female Artist, Album Of The Year (For Me It's You) and Country Song Of The Year (The Answer Is Yes).



PATRICIA CONROY

Now residing in Nashville, Patricia Conroy has had her share of ups and downs over last few years. During a European tour, while walking on the beach with band member Bob Funk, Conroy was attacked by a German Shepherd. The only good thing that came out of the attack was that Conroy was able to experience the power of fan support. She received thousands of letters, cards and flowers from fans all across North America. She doesn't think that the healing process would have been so quick if it had not been for all the support. Now back on the music scene she is nominated for Female Artist Of The Year at this years Big Country Awards.



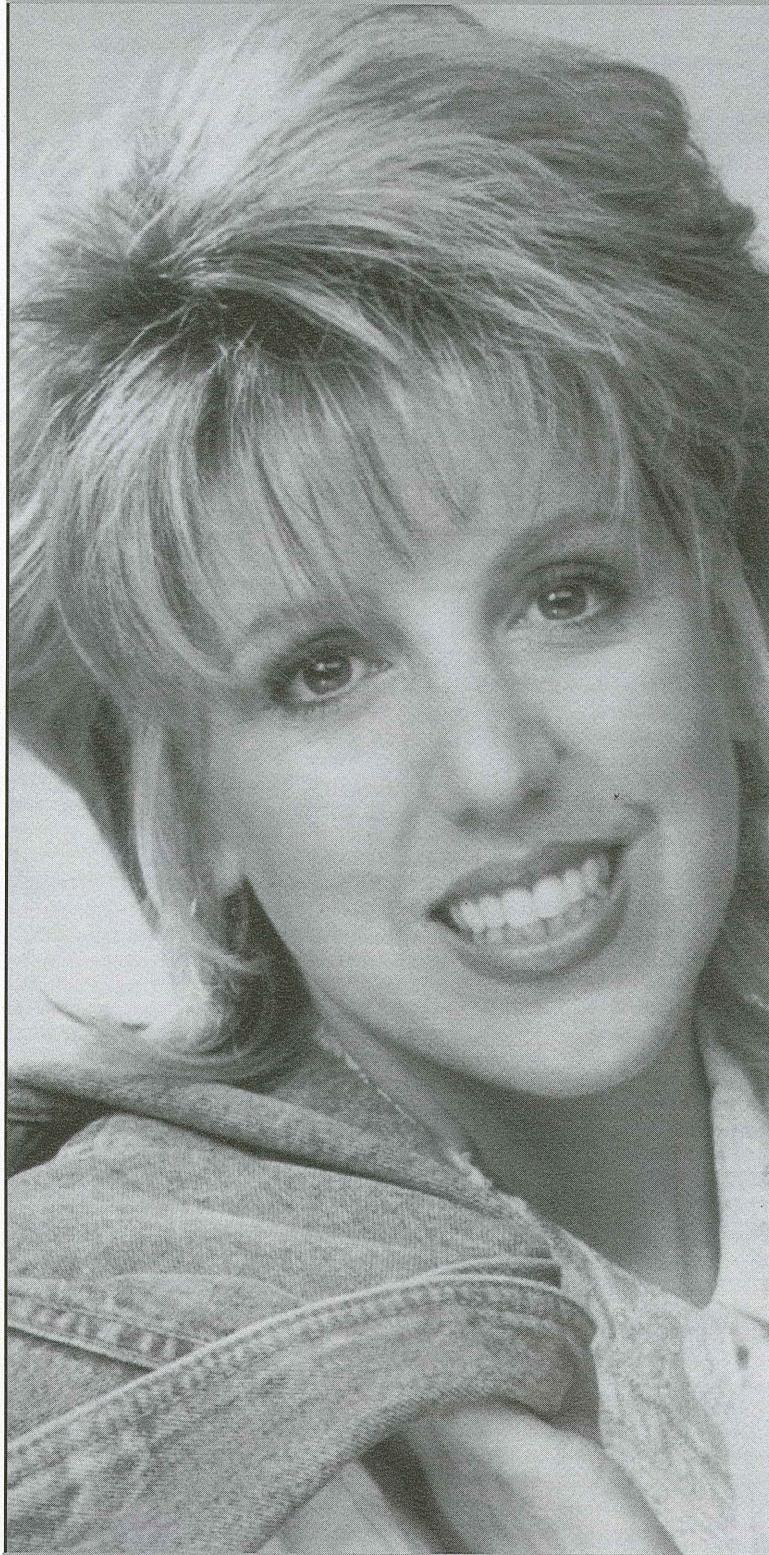
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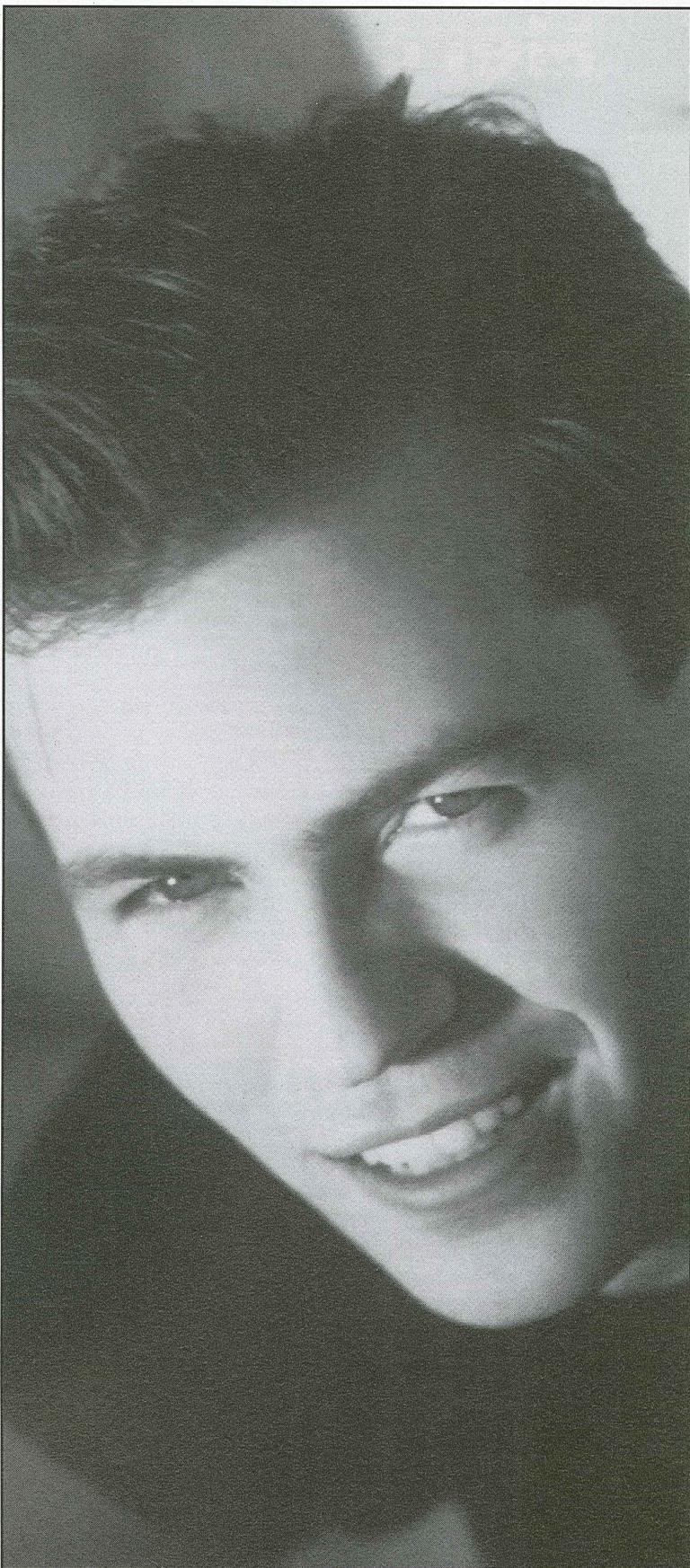
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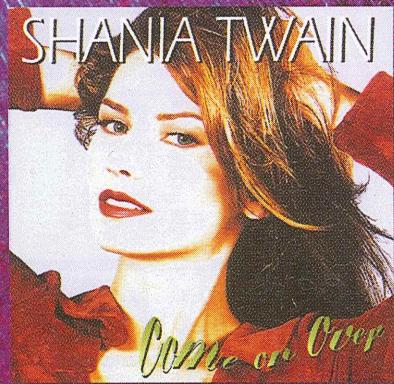
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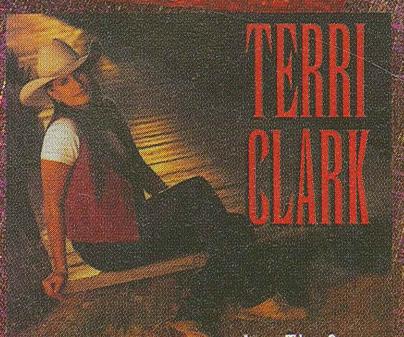
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FEMALE ARTIST
TERRI CLARK
SHANIA TWAIN
ALBUM OF THE YEAR
COME ON OVER
Shania Twain
JUST THE SAME
Terri Clark
COUNTRY SONG
LOVE GETS ME EVERYTIME
Terri Clark



Just The Same

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JOAN KENNEDY

One of Canada's most engaging entertainers and constant chart-toppers, Joan Kennedy has had a meteoric rise in the Canadian and American country music scenes. Her huge single, *A Dozen Red Roses*, hit #1 on Toronto's CISS-FM and reached the prestigious Wall of Fame as well as being named the #1 video on CMT. The talent of that song was evident from Kennedy's first album, *I'm A Big Girl Now* as well as in the follow ups, *Family Pride*, *Candle In The Window* and *Higher Ground*. Her work has been recognised and awarded by CMT, the CCMA's and country radio. This year, Big Country welcomes Joan Kennedy as a nominee in the category of Female Artist of the Year.

TERRI CLARK

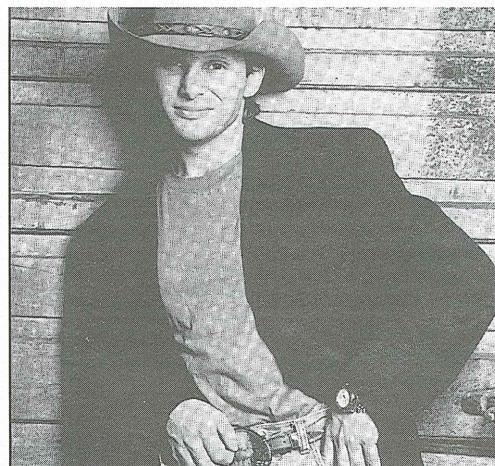
The outstanding, multiple award winning Medicine Hat, Alberta native Terri Clark is once again touring this summer, playing some of North America's largest venues promoting for her latest album, *How I Feel*. Clark, who has already garnered six CCMA awards and numerous U.S. awards, is nominated for this year's Big Country Awards in the categories of Female Artist Of The Year and Album Of The Year (*Just The Same*)



OUTSTANDING NEW MALE ARTISTS

BRUCE GUTHRO

A native Cape Bretoner, Bruce Guthro was born to a large family, including seven brothers and one sister. He grew up where he still lives, in a small coal mining town of Sydney Mines, Nova Scotia. Perhaps his background is what makes Guthro one of the most startlingly heartfelt singer/songwriters to sprout from the Canadian heartland this year. His talents recognised early on, Guthro was scooped up by EMI for a recording deal and soon thereafter released his stunning first achievement, *Of Your Son*. A world class songwriter and one of the most compelling voices in the business, Bruce Guthro is this year's Big Country Award nominee for Outstanding New Male Artist.



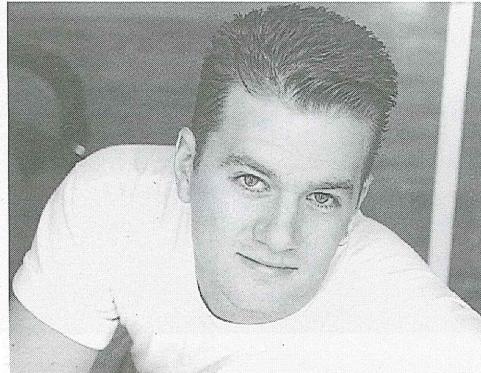
GREG HANNA

This 26 year old singer/songwriter has been all over Canada in the last 15 years and almost eight years ago made a move to the London, Ontario. Hanna, who now spends a lot of time on both sides of the border is avidly working towards putting together his next complete project. Hanna's hit song, *Ain't No Justice In Love*, cracked top ten in Canada and has helped to earn him the nomination for this year's Big Country Awards in the Outstanding New Male Artist Category.



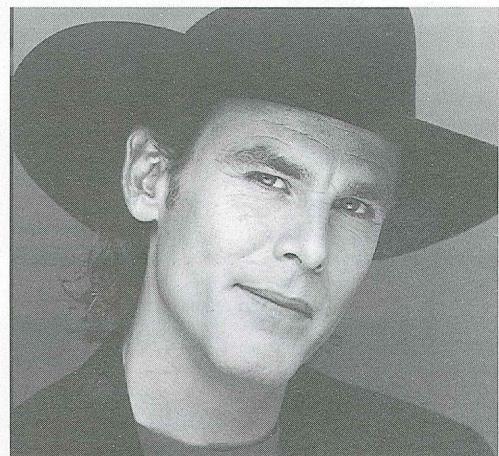
RANDY J. MARTIN

Born in Ontario and raised in Prince Edward Island, Randy J. Martin was once Canada's best kept secret before he broke out with a debut album in 1996. Titled *Shootin' The Breeze*, the album garnered Martin four nominations from the Academy of Independent Recording Artists in Nashville, including New Male Vocalist, Singer Songwriter, Vocal Performance and Album of the Year (he later scooped the award for Male Vocalist). *Workin' Overtime* was to follow as a sophomore effort and re-introduced Martin as a singular artist to country audiences with a string of songs like *Born On A Pick Up Truck*, *If You Want It* and *Little Tree*. This year, Randy J. Martin makes his Big Country debut as a nominee in the Outstanding New Male Artist category.



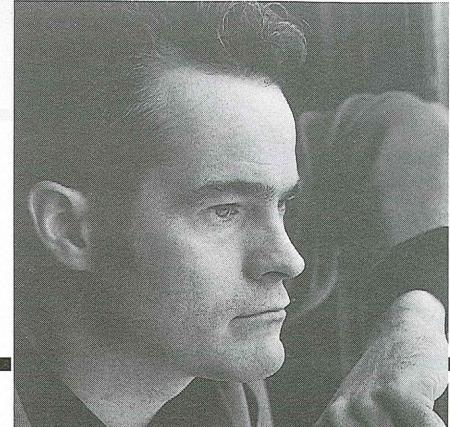
BRENT McATHHEY

One of Canada's rising independent recording artists, Brent McAthey has made appearances across Canada, into the US, Mexico and Europe. His latest CD, *Waitin' For The Sun* achieved international radio airplay and garnered numerous nominations by the CCMA's and the Male Recording Artist of the Year by the Alberta Recording Industry Association. His single, *Chevy Blue Eyes*, is already Top 20 on Canadian country radio and will introduce McAthey's debut LP, titled *Believe In Me*, to Canadian audiences this year. Big Country is proud to welcome McAthey to this year's awards celebration with a nomination in the category of Outstanding New Male Artist.



SEAN HOGAN

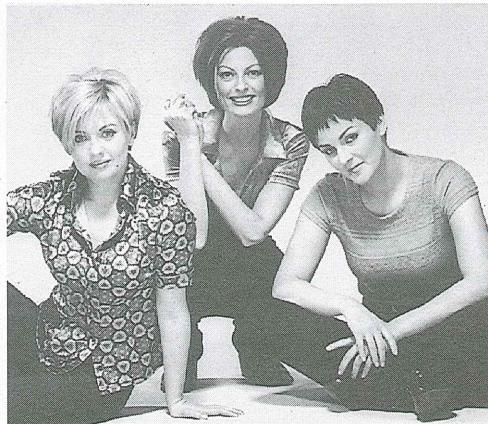
Sean Hogan's self titled debut has been the focus of a lot of attention by Canada's country music industry. In September of last year, the budding artist garnered the CCMA's first ever Independent Male Vocalist of the Year Award. He has since been showered with a host of critical acclaim and has been called, among other things, "one of the class debuts of the year." No stranger to Big Country, Sean Hogan returns this year with a nomination in the category of Outstanding Male Artist.



GROUP OR DUO

FARMER'S DAUGHTER

The Western Canadian trio, Farmer's Daughter, is one of the most extensive touring groups on the Canadian country circuit. Performing over 200 live shows a year, there is no wonder that this outstanding act has earned a sincere fan following. Having been nominated for two Big Country Awards in 1995, one for Video Of The Year and the other for Group Of The Year. The Daughter's earned one award in 1997 taking home the RPM Big Country honour for Group Of The Year. Farmer's Daughter is going for a repeat at this year's awards, Up once again for Big Country Group Or Duo Of The Year.



THE RANKINS

You'll notice a little difference to the Rankin Family 1998, something in their name. But that's not all: the five siblings (Heather, Cookie, Raylene, Jimmy and John) have also expanded their sound on *Uprooted*, their newest album on EMI, taking their musical vistas to places they hadn't gone before. That's saying something. The group has had a history of breakthroughs and successes with five Juno Awards, over a dozen East Coast Music Awards, five SOCAN Awards, two Canadian Country Music Awards and two Big Country Awards. Their latest album, like their previous work, continues to single them out as one of the country's top acts. The Rankins return this year in the categories of Group or Duo and Album of the Year (Rankin Family Collection).



LEAHY

Not much needs to be said about this nine piece band of prodigies. Leahy, as has been recorded in the pages of this magazine, was *the* breakout band of last year with a host of awards, festival appearances, critical acclaim and a platinum selling self-titled debut. The family has blazed a trail on radio and video unlike anyone else, starting with *A Call To Dance* and following up with *Opus In B Minor*. Having already scooped two Juno awards last year, Leahy are poised for more success at this year's Big Country Awards, where they have been nominated in the categories of Group or Duo of the Year and Album of the Year.

THOMAS WADE & WAYWARD

Before Thomas Wade could even ride a bike he was strumming a six string. Originally from Burford Ontario, Wade honed his skills to the point at which they are today by playing in his family band, which helped put him through Music Industry Arts Program at London's Fanshawe College. With a strong Canadian following, Wade has played the never-ending list of Canadian venues for years and been nominated for Juno Awards in both 1997 and 1998 for Best Country Group. Most recently Wade & Wayward were honoured at the 1998 Ontario Country Music Association Awards for the Group Of The Year title. Walking away with Independent Group Of The Year, Independent Song Of The Year and Independent Single Of The Year at the 1997 CCMA Awards is just another reason that one of Canada's hardest working bands, Thomas Wade & Wayward are up for the Group Or Duo Of The Year Award.



PRAIRIE OYSTER

A once struggling band, Prairie Oyster is now a common household name in Canada. This six piece band has mastered the art of uniqueness. All the components of Prairie Oyster have led the band to becoming one of Canada's premiere groups. Since the release of *Blue Plate Special*, Prairie Oyster has climbed to the next plateau of their career, it has also led to the band's nomination in the Group Or Duo Of The Year Category.





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BIG COUNTRY AWARDS

PAST WINNERS

FEMALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR

1975.....	Carroll Baker
1976.....	Carroll Baker
1977.....	Carroll Baker
1978.....	Carroll Baker
1979.....	Anne Murray
1980.....	Carroll Baker
1981.....	Carroll Baker
1985.....	Anne Murray
1986.....	Anne Murray
1987.....	Carroll Baker
1988.....	Anne Murray
1989.....	Michelle Wright
1990.....	k.d.lang
1991.....	Michelle Wright
1992.....	Michelle Wright
1993.....	Michelle Wright
1994.....	Michelle Wright
1995.....	Michelle Wright
1996.....	Shania Twain
1997.....	Terri Clark

MALE VOCALIST OF THE YEAR

1975.....	Gary Buck
1976.....	Dick Damron
1977.....	Dick Damron
1978.....	Dick Damron
1979.....	Eddie Eastman
1980.....	Terry Carisse
1981.....	Terry Carisse
1985.....	Murray McLauchlan
1986.....	Murray McLauchlan
1987.....	Terry Carisse
1988.....	Murray McLauchlan
1989.....	George Fox
1990.....	George Fox
1991.....	George Fox
1992.....	George Fox
1993.....	George Fox
1994.....	Charlie Major
1995.....	Charlie Major
1996.....	Charlie Major
1997.....	Paul Brandt

GROUP OF THE YEAR

1975.....	Eastwind
1976.....	The Family Brown
1977.....	The Family Brown
1978.....	The Family Brown
1979.....	The Family Brown
1980.....	The Family Brown
1981.....	The Family Brown
1985.....	The Family Brown
1986.....	The Mercey Brothers
1987.....	The Family Brown
1988.....	Blue Rodeo
1989.....	The Family Brown
1990.....	The Family Brown
1991.....	Prairie Oyster
1992.....	Prairie Oyster
1993.....	The Rankin Family
1994.....	Prairie Oyster
1995.....	Prairie Oyster
1996.....	Prairie Oyster
1997.....	Farmer's Daughter

OUTSTANDING GROUP

1975.....	Bob Murphy & Big Buffalo
1976.....	The Good Brothers
1977.....	The Carlton Showband
1978.....	Terry Carisse & Tenderfoot
1979.....	Ralph Carlson & Country Mile
1980.....	The Good Brothers
1981.....	Ralph Carlson & Country Mile
	(cancelled)

OUTSTANDING FEMALE PERFORMER

1975.....	Sylvia Tyson
1976.....	Sylvia Tyson
1977.....	Myrna Lorrie
1978.....	Glory-Anne Carriere
1979.....	Marie Bottrell
1980.....	Glory-Anne Carriere
1981.....	Chris Nielsen
	(cancelled)

OUTSTANDING NEW ARTIST

1985.....	Jamie Warren
1986.....	The Haggertys
1987.....	Double Eagle Band
1988.....	Blue Rodeo
1989.....	Carmen Westfall
1990.....	Great Western Orchestra
1991.....	Patricia Conroy
1992.....	Joel Feeney
1993.....	The Rankin Family
1994.....	Jim Witter
1995.....	Shania Twain
1996.....	Jason McCoy
1997.....	Chris Cummings

OUTSTANDING MALE PERFORMER

1975.....	Ian Tyson
1976.....	Ronnie Prophet
1977.....	Barry Brown
1978.....	Orval Prophet
1979.....	Wayne Rostad
1980.....	Ronnie Prophet
1981.....	Eddie Eastman
	(cancelled)

TOP COUNTRY COMPOSER

1975.....	Dallas Harms
1976.....	Dick Damron
1977.....	Dallas Harms
1978.....	Dallas Harms
1979.....	Dallas Harms
1980.....	Barry Brown
1981.....	Terry Carisse & Bruce Rawlins
1985.....	Barry Brown
1986.....	Terry Carisse & Bruce Rawlins
1987.....	David Foster & Jim Vallance
1988.....	Greg Keelor & Jim Cuddy
1989.....	George Fox
1990.....	Gary Fjellgaard
1991.....	Gary Fjellgaard
1992.....	Keith Glass & Joan Besen
1993.....	Joan Besen
1994.....	Charlie Major & Barry Brown
1995.....	Jim Witter & Johnny Douglas
1996.....	Shania Twain
1997.....	Shania Twain

TOP COUNTRY PRODUCER

1975.....	Gary Buck
1976.....	R.Harlan Smith
1977.....	Jack Feeney
1978.....	Dallas Harms
1979.....	Dallas Harms
1980.....	R.Harlan Smith
1981.....	Larry, Lloyd & Ray Mercey
1985.....	Dallas Harms & Mike Francis
1986.....	Gilles Godard
1987.....	David Foster
1988.....	Terry Brown
1989.....	Randall Prescott
1990.....	Randall Prescott
1991.....	Howie Vickers
1992.....	Randall Prescott
1993.....	Chad Irschick
1994.....	Chad Irschick
1995.....	Johnny Douglas
1996.....	Chad Irschick
1997.....	Chad Irschick

COUNTRY RADIO PERSONALITY

1975 Charlie Russell..	CJCJ - Woodstock
1976 Johnny Murphy....	CHML - Hamilton
1977 Ted Daigle.....	CKBY-FM - Ottawa
1978 Bill Anderson.....	CFRB - Toronto
1979 Stan Campbell....	CFGM - Toronto
1980 Bill Anderson.....	CFRB - Toronto
1981 Bill Anderson.....	CFRB - Toronto
1985 Bill Anderson.....	CFRB - Toronto
1986 Robin Ingram.....	CFAC - Calgary
1987 Cliff Dumas.....	CHAM - Hamilton
1988 Randy Owen.....	CKGL - Kitchener
1989 Cliff Dumas.....	CHAM - Hamilton
1990 Paul Kennedy...	CHFX-FM - Halifax
1991 Cliff Dumas.....	CHAM - Hamilton
1992 Cliff Dumas.....	CHAM - Hamilton
1995 Cliff Dumas.....	CISS-FM - Toronto
1996 Cliff Dumas.....	CISS-FM - Toronto
1997 Cliff Dumas.....	CISS-FM - Toronto

MAJOR RECORD COMPANY

1975.....	Broadland Records
1976.....	RCA Ltd.
1977.....	RCA Ltd.
1978.....	RCA Ltd.
1979.....	RCA Ltd.
1980.....	RCA Ltd.
1981.....	RCA Ltd.
1985.....	RCA Ltd.
1986.....	RCA Ltd.
1987.....	BMG Music Canada
1988.....	BMG Music Canada
1989.....	WEA Music Canada
1990.....	Savannah Records
1991.....	Warner Music Canada
1992.....	BMG Music Canada
1993.....	BMG Music Canada
1994.....	BMG Music Canada
1995.....	BMG Music Canada
1996.....	BMG Music Canada
1997.....	BMG Music Canada

TOP CANADIAN COUNTRY TV SHOW

1975.....	Ian Tyson
1976.....	Grand Old Country - Ronnie Prophet
1977.....	Grand Old Country - Ronnie Prophet
1978.....	Tommy Hunter Country
1979.....	Grand Old Country - Ronnie Prophet
1980.....	Grand Old Country - Ronnie Prophet
1981.....	Family Brown Country



A lot of memories will be jogged by this Big Country gathering of country matriarch Carroll Baker, Stan Klees, Tommy Hunter and Walt Grealis.

BEST COUNTRY SINGLE

1975 Paper Rosie	Dallas Harms
1976 Georgia I'm Cheating On You Tonight.....	Dallas Harms
1977 Susan Flowers.....	Dick Damron
1978 Wild Honey.....	Johnny Burke & Eastwind
1979 Stay With Me.....	The Family Brown
1980 The Star.....	Marie Bottrell
1981 Windship.....	Terry Carisse
1985 Nobody Loves Me Like You Do.....	Anne Murray
1986 Nobody Loves Me Like You Do.....	Anne Murray
1987 Now And Forever.....	Anne Murray
1988 Try.....	Blue Rodeo
1989 Angelina.....	George Fox
1990 Full Moon Of Love.....	k.d.lang
1991 Goodbye, So Long, Hello.....	Prairie Oyster
1992 Something To Remember You BY.....	Prairie Oyster
1993 He Would Be Sixteen.....	Michelle Wright
1994 I'm Gonna Drive You Out Of My Mind.....	Charlie Major
1995 Such A Lonely One.....	Prairie Oyster
1996 Any Man Of Mine.....	Shania Twain
1997 My Heart Has A History.....	Paul Brandt

COUNTRY ARTIST OF THE YEAR

1978.....	Carroll Baker
1979.....	Anne Murray
1980.....	Carroll Baker
1981.....	The Family Brown
1985.....	Anne Murray
1986.....	The Family Brown
1987.....	Anne Murray
1988.....	Ian Tyson
1989.....	George Fox
1990.....	k.d.lang
1991.....	Michelle Wright
1992.....	Prairie Oyster
1993.....	Michelle Wright
1994.....	Charlie Major
1995.....	Charlie Major
1996.....	Shania Twain
1997.....	Paul Brandt

INDEPENDENT RECORD COMPANY

1993.....	Savannah Records
1994.....	Stony Plain Records
1995.....	Stony Plain Records
1996.....	Stony Plain Records
1997.....	Stony Plain Records

COUNTRY RADIO STATION

1985.....	CFGM Toronto
1986.....	CHAM Hamilton
1987.....	CHAM Hamilton
1988.....	CHAM Hamilton
1989.....	CHAM Hamilton
1990.....	CHAM Hamilton
1991.....	CHAM Hamilton
1992.....	CHAM Hamilton
1995.....	CKRY-FM Calgary
1996.....	CKRY-FM Calgary
1997.....	CISS-FM Toronto

COUNTRY VIDEO

1997 My Heart Has A History
- Paul Brandt

BIG COUNTRY AWARDS

BEST COUNTRY ALBUM

1975 'Ol Eon.....	Ian Tyson
1976 Carroll Baker.....	Carroll Baker
1977 Here Comes Yesterday.....	R.Harlan Smith
1978 Wild Honey.....	Johnny Burke & Eastwind
1979 Familiar Faces, Familiar Places.....	The Family Brown
1980 I'll Always Love You.....	Anne Murray
1981 We Can Make Beautiful Music Together.....	Terry Carisse
1985 Heart Over Mind.....	Anne Murray
1986 Feel The Fire.....	The Family Brown
1987 None Of The Feeling Is Gone.....	Terry Carisse
1988 Cowboyography.....	Ian Tyson
1989 These Days.....	The Family Brown
1990 Absolute Torch & Twang.....	k.d.lang
1991 With All My Might.....	George Fox
1992 Everybody Knows.....	Prairie Oyster
1993 Now And Then.....	Michelle Wright
1994 The Other Side.....	Charlie Major
1995 Only One Moon.....	Prairie Oyster
1996 The Woman In Me.....	Shania Twain
1997 Calm Before The Storm.....	Paul Brandt



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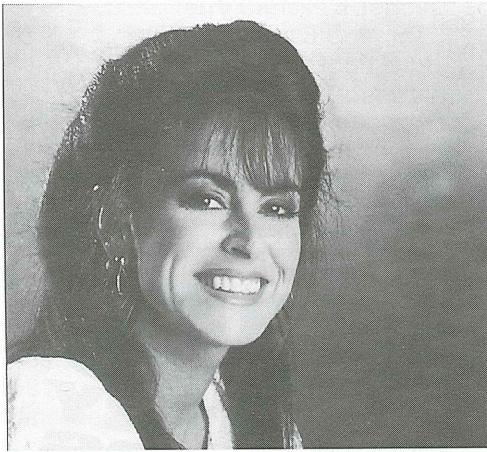
OUTSTANDING NEW CANADIAN FEMALE ARTIST



OUTSTANDING NEW FEMALE ARTISTS

DENISE MURRAY

Denise Murray is the type of artist who is steeped in country. Her single, What's It Gonna Take, entered the national country charts in the early summer of 1997 and the follow up video, (Has Anybody Out There Seen My) Angel, made top 30 across the country. Since then, she's gone on to put together a full length album, What You Mean To Me, and become one of Canada's most promising rising artists. Big Country welcomes Denise Murray with a nomination in the category of Outstanding Female Artist.

**LISA ERSKINE**

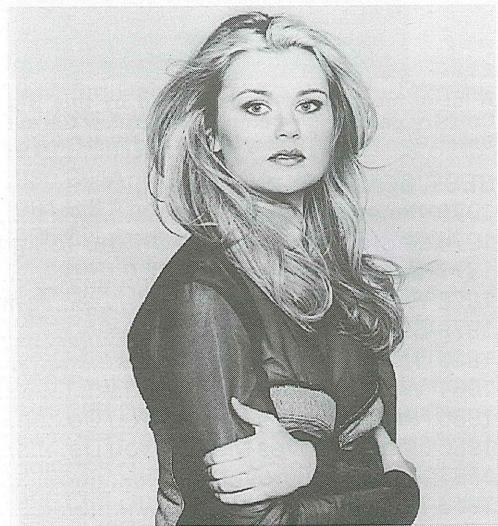
This Ottawa native began performing on television and radio at the tender age of seven. Since then she has sung at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa, appeared regularly on many TV programs as well as singing on dozens of commercials, theme songs, CBC Canada Day celebrations and telethons. She has also shared the stage with artists like Carroll Baker, the Olsen Twins and Glass Tiger, performing in places as far away as Bosnia. Winner of the 1989 SOCAN Songwriters Award, Erskine continues to write with top artists like Dan Hill, Eddie Schwartz and Dean McTaggart while pursuing a solo career. Her debut self-titled album is making a splash with memorable, lasting songs like I Could Love A Guy, The Other Side of Lonely and Summer Rose. Lisa Erskine is nominated in the category of Outstanding New Female Artist for the 1998 Big Country Awards.

**SHIRLEY MYERS**

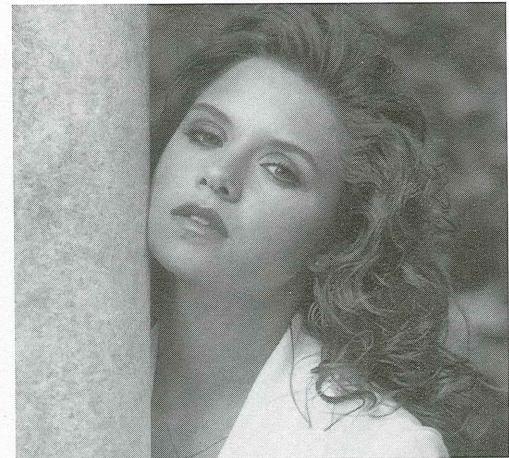
The New Brunswick singer now based in Nashville has made her presence known over the last few years with her hit single Let It Rain. A winner of the 1991 CCMA talent contest, Myers developed her songwriting and singing skills to eventually earn a nomination at the 1998 Juno Awards for Country Female Vocalist Of The Year and a nomination for Country Artist Of The Year at this year's ECMA Awards. At this year's Big Country Awards Myers is nominated for Outstanding New Female Artist.

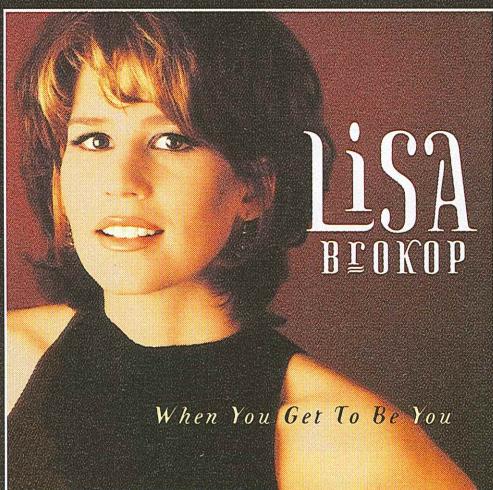
BEVERLEY MAHOOD

This girl out of the ordinary has focused on making a career of her talent since an early age. Starting her career on top of a coffee table in front of the family at age three, Mahood is now getting a chance to see some of Canada's larger venues. Just finishing up a cross-Canada tour with Jason McCoy, Mahood is now readying herself for her jam packed schedule of summer activities. Mahood is nominated for two Big Country Awards this year, Outstanding New Female Artist and Songwriter(s) Of The Year for her hit single Girl Out Of The Ordinary.

**NANCY DENAULT**

Born in 1975 in the small town of Forte-Coulonge, Quebec, Nancy Denault was raised at the eye of the storm of musical influences. No surprise that by age 6 she was singing traditional country songs with her father's band all over Western Quebec and Eastern Ontario. Eighteen years later she released her first single, What More Do You Want From Me, which was recorded and distributed to radio stations across Canada to astounding responses.

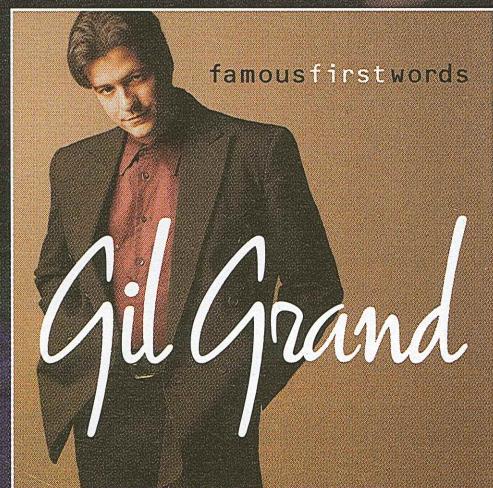
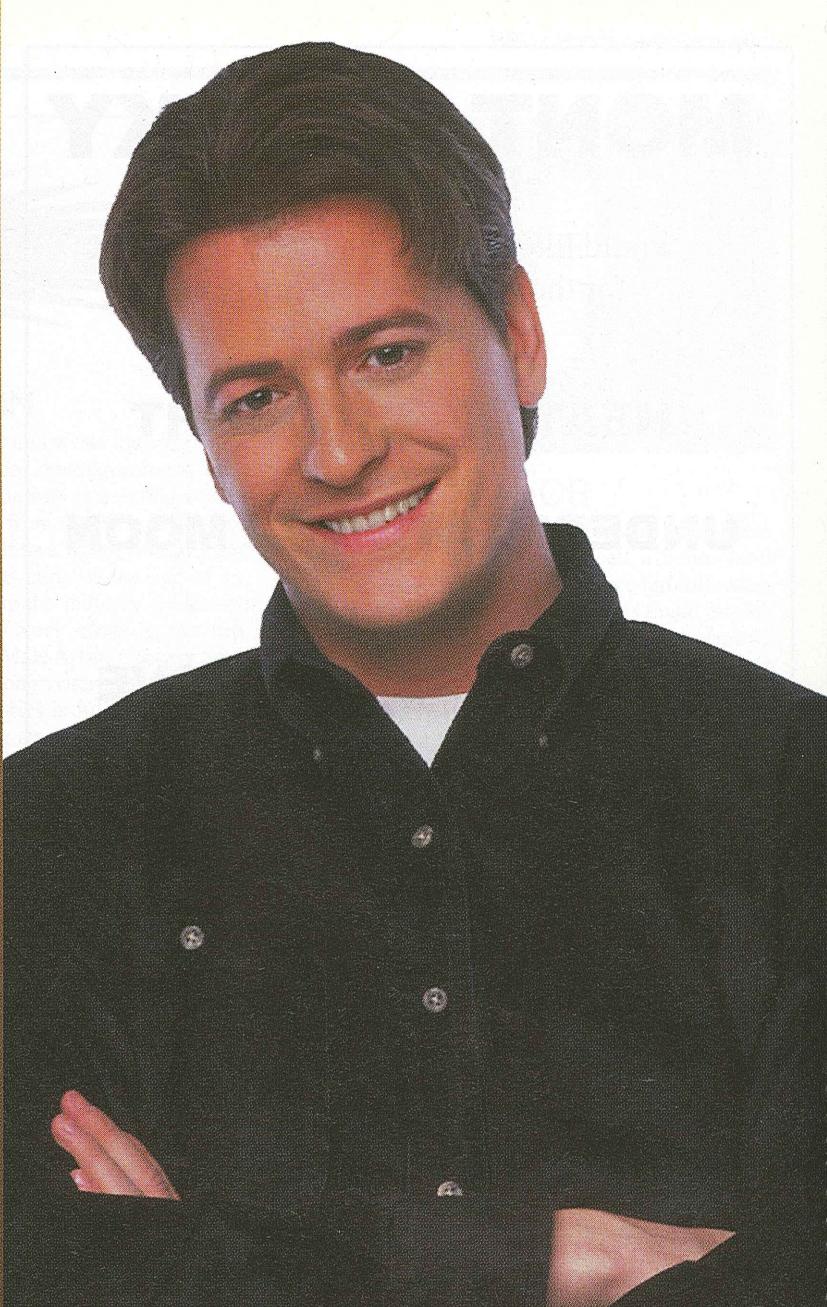




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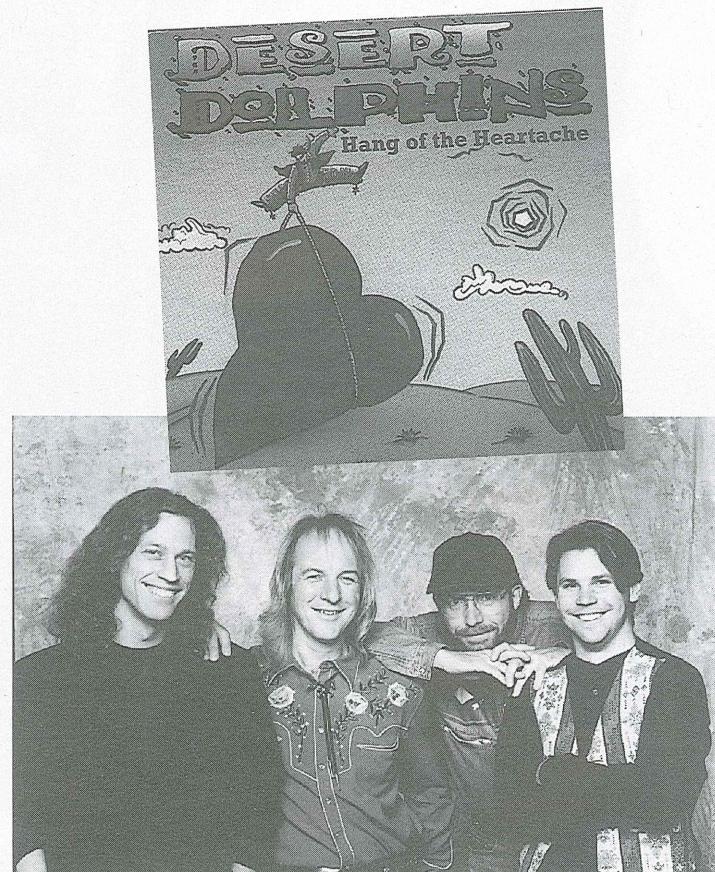
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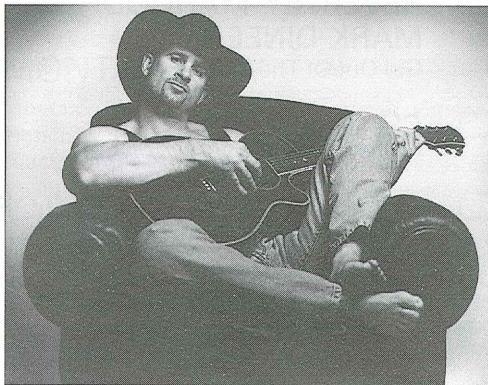
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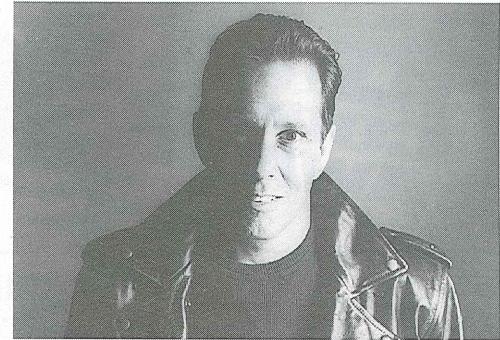
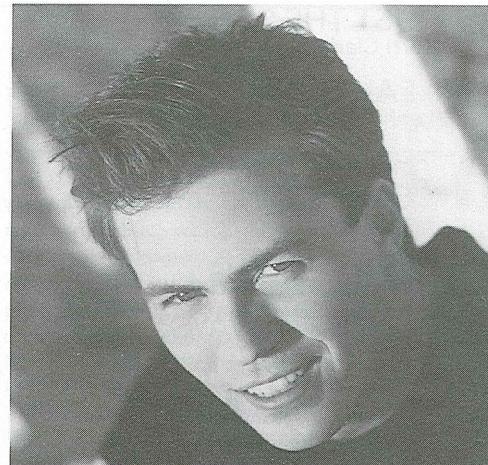
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MALE ARTIST



JULIAN AUSTIN

This been there, done that and wrote the song about it artist has exploded on the Canadian country scene and brought with him some very interesting stories. Bad boy Julian Austin is from the New Brunswick area and classifies himself as a songwriter at heart. Starting to write songs as early as the age of 11, Austin worked his way up the industry ladder and has now found himself very close to the top. Competing in this year's Male Artist, Country Song (Little Ol' Kisses) and Songwriter(s) Of The Year (Little Ol' Kisses) categories is Julian Austin, one of Canada's fastest rising stars.

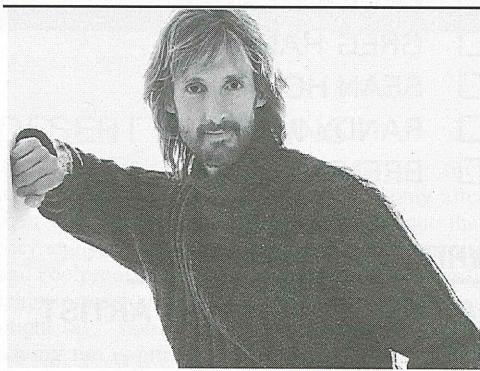


CHARLIE MAJOR

Being an honest and straight forward songwriter, Charlie Major has earned himself a major label deal, and most importantly a sincere fan following. Major is famous for his driving songs found himself in 1993 in the position to finally share on a national level, some of his greatest writings. Now residing in Nashville, Major's presence is still felt in Canada and this year he is nominated for Male Artist Of The Year and Songwriter(s) Of The Year (I'm Feeling Kinda Lucky Tonight).

GEORGE FOX

After seven albums, George Fox is still an evident force in the Canadian music industry. In the last year and a half, Fox has experienced extraordinary happiness with the marriage to his wife Monica, pain with the passing of his mother and incredible escapades to Australia and Brazil where his popularity hassky-rocketed. All this has keep Fox at the peak of his mountain. He is nominated for Male Artist Of The Year and Country Song Of The Year (I Give You My Word).



PAUL BRANDT

Once a paediatric nurse and now one of Canada's premier country performers, Paul Brandt has managed to give back almost as much as he receives. The Calgary native is forever devoting his spare time to charity work and finds it most rewarding to work with kids who are in need of help. Brandt has received five Big Country honours and 10 CCMA awards. This Year Brandt will be trying for one more Big Country Award in the Male Artist Of The Year category.



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FEMALE ARTIST

- TERRI CLARK
- PATRICIA CONROY
- JOAN KENNEDY
- SHANIA TWAIN
- MICHELLE WRIGHT

MALE ARTIST

- JULIAN AUSTIN
- PAUL BRANDT
- CHRIS CUMMINGS
- GEORGE FOX
- CHARLIE MAJOR
- JASON McCOY

GROUP OR DUO

- FARMER'S DAUGHTER
- LEAHY
- PRAIRIE OYSTER
- THE RANKINS
- THOMAS WADE & WAYWARD

OUTSTANDING NEW FEMALE ARTIST

- NANCY DENAULT
- LISA ERSKINE
- BEVERLEY MAHOOD
- DENISE MURRAY
- SHIRLEY MYERS

OUTSTANDING NEW GROUP/DUO

- 12 GAUGE
- CACTUS PRICKS
- DESERT DOLPHINS
- MONTANA SKY
- THE COCKRUM SISTERS

ALBUM OF THE YEAR

- COME ON OVER
Shania Twain
- FOR ME IT'S YOU
Michelle Wright
- JUST THE SAME
Terri Clark
- LEAHY
Leahy
- THE RANKIN FAMILY
COLLECTION - The Rankin Family

COUNTRY SONG

- ALMOST ALWAYS
Chris Cummings
- I GIVE YOU MY WORD
George Fox
- LITTLE OL' KISSES
Julian Austin
- LOVE GETS ME EVERYTIME
Shania Twain
- THE ANSWER IS YES
Michelle Wright

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SONGWRITER(S)

- JULIAN AUSTIN
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I'm Feeling Kinda Lucky Tonight
- THOMAS WADE/TIM TAYLOR
She's Getting Serious

CANADIAN PRODUCER(S)

- LANCE ANDERSON
Leahy - Leahy
- CHAD IRSICK
Bruce Guthro - Walk This Road
- DANIEL LEBLANC
Julian Austin
What My Heart Already Knows
- JOHN WHYNOT &
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Blue Rodeo - Tremolo - WEA
- RANDALL PRESCOTT
Desert Dolphins
Hang Of The Heartache

OUTSTANDING NEW MALE ARTIST

- BRUCE GUTHRO
- GREG HANNA
- SEAN HOGAN
- RANDY J. MARTIN
- BRENT McATHHEY

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CANADIAN COUNTRY VIDEO

OUTSTANDING NEW GROUP OR DUO

MONTANA SKY

Montana Sky is a six piece group of veteran musicians whose sound ranges from high energy country to heart-felt ballads in the tradition of country's very roots. Since their 1994 debut album, the Toronto-based sextet has been the focus of much critical acclaim and their song, Underneath The Moon, charted in the top five of Canadian releases this year and continues to receive regular airplay on CMT Canada. Those successes have led to this year's Big Country Award nomination in the category of Outstanding Group of Duo.



12 GAUGE

Northern Alberta's hottest country band is making huge inroads into the country music scene, having opened up for Duane Steele and The Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, among others. Their youth (all members are between the ages of 19 and 22) belies their talent and work ethic, which purportedly racks up the equivalent of almost 50 weeks out of the year in 1997. This year boasts a very busy roster of performances for the band, with a slew of appearances at such notable festivals as Merritt Mountain, Big Valley Jamboree and Bud country Fever as well as rodeos and fairs across the country. This year, 12 Gauge inaugurate their appearance at The Big Country Awards with a nomination in the category Outstanding New Group of Duo. Good luck guys.



DESERT DOLPHINS

The Desert Dolphins banded together approximately six years ago but it was only after their debut release, Hang Of The Heartache that they enjoyed the taste of their first hits (Dynamite and Foolproof, both Top 10). "We're not necessarily mainstream country but a little left of centre you might say," says the Dolphins. "Serious, yes, but having fun is priority one." This year, the Desert Dolphins return to Big Country with a nomination in the category of Outstanding Group or Duo.



CACTUS PRICKS

A clever collaboration between three Victoria musicians, The Cactus Pricks have been lauded for being unique and having a sound that is "definitely country, yet different." The Cactus Pricks' first single, Don't Be No Rock'n'Roll Star, was released in Canada to major acclaim and took the follow up, Recall On Our Love, into the US as well. That song received radio play on a whopping 350 stations across North America while the trio's third single, Would You Still Dance was an indie success, breaking Top 5 on national and international charts. For their first year at The Big Country Awards, The Cactus Pricks are nominated in the category of Outstanding Group or Duo.

THE COCKRUM SISTERS

Believe it or not, the sounds of The Cockrum Sisters have the power to heal a broken heart and mend lost love. That's a story we will leave for RPM editor Sean LaRose to tell, though we won't withhold the unmistakeable talent that these four siblings from Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan have cultivated through a lifetime of singing. Bonnie, Lorraine, Laura and Carol Cockrum are still in the cradle of their career (they are currently recording their first album of original music), but their brief introduction has already impressed the right people and set folks who have heard them onto something new. The girls have already scooped several Country Music Awards in their home province of Saskatchewan and the time is ripe to share those fruits with the rest of the country. Please join RPM in welcoming The Cockrum Sisters to this year's Big Country Awards with a nomination in the category of Outstanding Group of Duo.



BIG COUNTRY 1975



Eastwind's Johnny Burke accepting Award from Ted Daigle and Lynn Jones.



Double Award winner Dallas Harms receiving from Ron Foster and Darlene Madill.



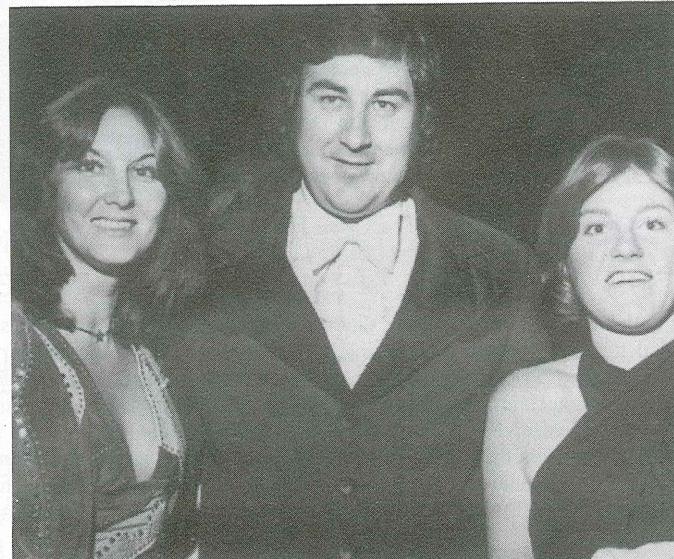
CKBY-FM's Ted Daigle presents Big Country Award to RCA artist Gary Buck.



Tyson Award to Gene Lew and CFTO's Ed Richardson from Fred King and Bob Murphy.



Deejay Award to Charlie Russell from Hank Smith (Quality) and Linda Brown (A&M).



Patti MacDonnell (Broadland), R. Harlan Smith (Royalty) and Cathie Stewart (CTL).

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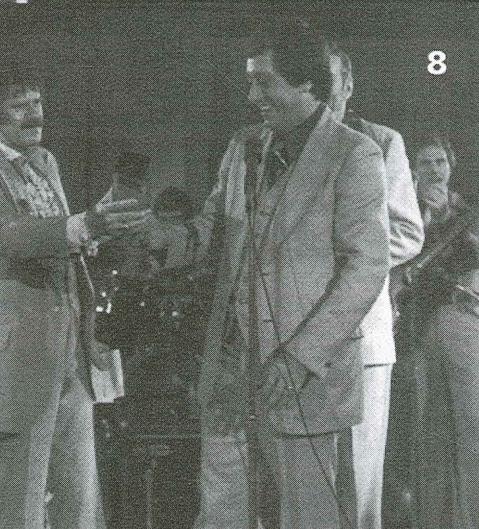
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1. A very young Colin Butler showcasing at Big Country (1975).

2. George Hamilton IV presents Family Brown's Joe, Lawanda and Tracy with country group award (1981).

3. A youthful Dick Damron begins his career (1966).

4. Carroll Baker, Stan Klees, Tommy Hunter and Walt Greolis at the Big Country Awards which were held at Ottawa's Talisman Hotel (1981).

5. Top country DJ of 1975, Charlie Russell of CJCJ Woodstock, New Brunswick, receives his award from Linda Brown and Hank Smith.

6. Bruce Rawlins, songwriting partner of Terry Carisse, with Stan Klees at the Big Country Awards at the Talisman Hotel in Ottawa (1981).

7. Gary Buck receives his Big Country Award as producer of the year from CKBY-FM music director Ted Daigle (1975).

8. Dallas Harms, Big Country Award winner as top country producer and composer and best country album for *Fastest Gun*, presents top country DJ award to CFRB's Bill Anderson (1978).

9. Dallas Harms receives his Big Country Award for Best Country Single (*Georgia I'm Cheating On You Tonight*) from Ronnie Hawkins at the awards dinner at Edmonton's Plaza Hotel (1976).



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BMG - N EMI - F Universal - J
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1	1	8	HEROES The Wallflowers - Godzilla O.S.T Epic 69338 (promo CD)-H
2	11	3	AVA ADORE Smashing Pumpkins - Adore Virgin 45879 (comp 11)-F
3	4	9	WISHLIST Pearl Jam - Yield Epic 68164 (comp 072)-H
4	7	4	SINCE WHEN 54/40 - Since When Columbia 80336 (comp 074)-H
5	3	14	THE WAY Fastball - Make Your Mama Proud Hollywood 620452 (promo CD)-Q
6	6	9	MONEY CITY MANAICS Sloan - Navy Blues Murder 36 (promo CD)-J
7	2	8	I LIE IN THE BED I MAKE Brother Cane - Wish Pool Virgin 4556 (CD Track)-F
8	8	9	LUCKY MAN The Verve - Urban Hymns Virgin 44913 (promo CD)-F
9	9	14	CLOSING TIME Semisonic - Feeling Strangely Fine Universal 11733 (pro single)-J
10	5	9	DON'T DRINK THE WATER Dave Matthews Band - Before These Crowded... RCA 67660 (comp 38)-N
11	14	11	THAT SONG Big Wreck - In Loving Memory Of... Atlantic 83032 (comp 350)-P
12	10	16	STEREO The Watchmen - Silent Radar EMI 59031 (comp 4)-F
13	15	12	PUSH IT Garbage - Version 2.0 Almo 80018 (promo CD)-J
14	13	8	REAL WORLD Matchbox 20 - Yourself Or Someone Like You Lava/Atlantic 92721 (comp 355)-P
15	22	9	FLAG POLE SITTA Harvey Danger - Where Have All The Merrymakers... London 314 556 000 (comp 542)-Q
16	16	5	SPACE LORD Monster Magnet - Powertrip A&M 314-540-908 (comp 051898)-Q
17	17	4	APPARITIONS Matthew Good Band - Underdogs A&M 280 994 001 (promo CD)-Q
18	12	7	I WILL STILL BE LAUGHING Soul Asylum - Candy From A Stranger Columbia 67618 (comp 073)-H
19	19	5	CIGARETTES AND ALCOHOL Rod Stewart - When We Were The new Boys Warner Bros. 46792 (comp 360)-P
20	NEW		POETS The Tragically Hip - Phantom Power Universal 81083 (promo CD)-J
21	26	2	DOWNTOWN Day Of The New - Days Of The New Outpost 30004 (comp 6)-J
22	24	13	UNINVITED Alanis Morissette - City Of Angels O.S.T Warner Bros. 46867 (CD Track)-P
23	18	10	MOST HIGH Jimmy Page & Robert Plant - Walking Into Clarksdale Warner 83092 (promo CD)-P
24	20	7	REDUNDANT Green Day - Nimrod Reprise 46794 (comp 355)-P
25	21	27	SEX AND CANDY Marcy Playground - Marcy Playground Capitol 53569 (CD Pro)-F
26	23	7	RELEASE The Tea Party - Transmission EMI 55308 (comp 6)-F
27	28	6	IF YOU CAN'T SAY NO Lenny Kravitz - 5 Virgin 45605 (promo CD)-F
28	NEW		WHAT'S THIS LIFE FOR Creed - My Own Prison Attic 1500 (promo CD)-J
29	NEW		ANY DAY NOW The Watchmen - Silent Radar EMI 59031 (promo CD)-F
30	29	17	INDESTRUCTIBLE Matthew Good Band - Underdogs A&M 280 994 001 (CD Track)-Q



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URBAN TOP 30

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1	4	5	GET AT ME DOG DMX feat. The Lox Def Jam-N
2	7	4	THE BOY IS MINE Brandy Feat./Monica Atlantic-P
3	1	8	A ROSE IS STILL A ROSE Aretha Franklin Arista-N
4	2	7	MY WAY Usher LaFace-N
5	3	13	MONEY, POWER, RESPECT The Lox Bad Boy-N
6	10	4	STILL NOT A PLAYER Big Pun Loud-N
7	5	10	ANYTIME Brian McKnight A&M-Q
8	12	6	TURN IT UP (FIRE IT UP) Busta Rhymes Elektra-P
9	16	5	I GOT THE HOOK UP Master P No Limit-F
10	6	6	CAN'T LET HER GO Boyz II Men Motown-Q
11	8	18	PHONE TAP The Firm Sony-H
12	9	14	DEJA-VU Lord Tariq w/ Peter Gunz Cocaine-H
13	18	3	HE GOT GAME Public Enemy Def Jam-N
14	11	11	GONE 'TILL NOVEMBER Wyclef Jean Ruff House-H
15	29	2	STILL IN LOVE Next BMG-N
16	13	8	HARD TO HANDLE David Miller Interscope-J
17	15	15	BOUT YOUR LOVE Glen Lewis Illvibe Records
18	17	16	24/7 24/7 Loud/RCA-N
19	14	19	NO NO NO (PART II) Destiny's Child Columbia-H
20	27	2	FREAK OUT Nutta Butta Interscope-J
21	19	17	ROYALTY Gangstarr Noz Trybe-F
22	NEW		SUMMERTIME '98 DJ Jazzy Jeff Columbia-H
23	20	19	4,3,2,1 LL Cool J Def Jam-N
24	25	12	SAY 'AH Master P EMI-F
25	23	14	IF YOU THINK I'M JIGGY The Lox Bad Boy-N
26	21	9	24 HRS TO LIVE Mase Arista-N
27	NEW		WITH ME (PART II) Destiny's Child w/Master P Columbia-H
28	22	11	VICTORY Puff Daddy Bad Boy-N
29	24	19	WHAT YOU WANT Mase/w Total Bad Boy-N
30	26	19	DJ KEEP PLAYIN' Yvette Michelle Loud-N

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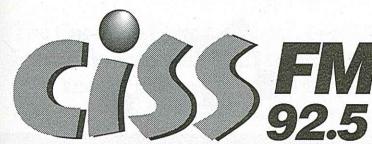
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One Belief Away - Bonnie Raitt
Cried All The Way Home - Jamie Warren
One Of These Days - Tim McGraw

JANET TRECARTEN
PH: CHANCES ARE
Martina McBride w/Bob Seger



How Do I Let Go - Lisa Brokop
If You Could Read . . . - Duane Steele
Wildest Dreams - Hawg Wilde
Whoever Said . . . - Stephanie Beaumont
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Yeah - Paul Brandt
I Might Even Quit . . . - Mark Chesnutt
A Man Holding On - Ty Herndon
Famous First Words - Gil Grand
From This . . . - S. Twain w/B. White

JOHN CHATWOOD
PH: YOU'RE GONE
Diamond Rio



Cried All The Way Home - Jamie Warren
I'm Gone - George Fox
Into Your Eyes - The Cruzeros
That's Why I'm Here - Kenny Chesney
What My Heart . . . - Julian Austin
When Love Comes . . . - Nancy Denault
Commitment - LeAnn Rimes
Dream Walkin' - Toby Keith
Holes In The Floor . . . - Steve Wariner
How Do I Let Go - Lisa Brokop

DAN MITCHELL
PH: THE HOLE
Randy Travis



The Shoes You're Wearing - Clint Black
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To Make You Feel My Love - Garth Brooks
Just To Hear You . . . - F. Hill w/T. McGraw
Happy Girl - Martina McBride

CHUCK REYNOLDS
PH: HOW DO YOU SLEEP AT NIGHT
Wade Hayes



I Might Even . . . - Mark Chesnutt
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There Goes My Baby - Trisha Yearwood
There's You're Trouble - Dixie Chicks
The Shoes You're Wearing - Clint Black
I Can Still Feel You - Collin Raye
I Just Want To Dance . . . - George Strait
Commitment - LeAnn Rimes
If You . . . - Reba w/Brooks & Dunn

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This Kiss - Faith Hill
Holes In The Floor . . . - Steve Wariner
I'm From The Country - Tracy Byrd
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KIM LACROIX
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Vince Gill



If You . . . - Reba w/Brooks & Dunn
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Big Time - Trace Adkins
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Griff and Anderson named to Hall of Honour

The Canadian Country Music Association (CCMA) has announced that Bill Anderson and Ray Griff, well known pioneers of Canadian country, will be inducted into CCMA's Hall of Honour.

Griff, a veteran songwriter and recording artist has more than 2,000 songs in his repertoire. Anderson has been a major personality in country radio for the last 25 years, where he was a major supporter of Canadian talent.

Born in Vancouver and raised in Calgary, Griff first moved to Nashville in 1962 when he was only 20. But it wasn't long before he returned home a little worse for wear. He persisted however, returning when Jim Reeves recorded one of his songs. It still wasn't an easy road. Griff worked as a piano service man during the day and in a pressing plant at night, but still found time to pitch his songs. He finally got a job with a music publisher in exchange for \$30 a week and a place to sleep in the back office.

Success began to come his way. He scored 50 singles in the Top 100 and earned more than 50 ASCAP and BMI awards, releasing 22 albums (with a greatest hit package due later this year) and enjoyed the experience of having more than 500 of his songs recorded by other artists, including Loretta Lynn, Wayne Newton, Dolly Parton, George Hamilton IV, Mel Tillis, Jerry Lee Lewis and more. He also continues to build his producer credits.

Griff still has a close connection to Canada and currently has homes in both Calgary and Nashville.

Anderson, who will be inducted into the Hall of Honour as this year's winner of the CCMA's Stan Klees Industry Builder Award, has been a leader in country broadcasting since the early '70s.

It was during the '70s when he was an on-air personality at CFGM, the Toronto area's major country radio station, where he helped lay the foundation for Opry North, a program created by the late Dave Johnson, which syndicated live

country music across Canada.

Anderson moved to CFRB in the mid-seventies where he created and launched Big Country a syndicated radio program that was heard on more than 100 radio stations across Canada. For close to 10 years, Anderson was heard by a weekly audience estimated to be a million plus. He produced, wrote, handled the interviews and hosted the show. The show was designed to appeal to listeners who thought they didn't like country music. Many non-country stations, including CFRB, carried the show. Anderson won his first Big Country award as country radio personality in 1978 and again in 1980, 1981 and 1985.

When the Canadian Country Music Awards were created, Anderson, as co-chairman of the awards committee, worked with other members who created the awards as they are known today, mapping the rules, defining categories and setting voting categories. In 1991 he transformed Key 590 into Country 59. Today, he is national host on the country format at Pelmorex Radio Network which is heard on 35 stations across Canada.



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1. Baby - Trisha Yearwood
2. If - Reba & Brooks & Dunn
3. Commitment - LeAnn Rimes
4. Feel My Love - Garth Brooks
5. Trouble - Dixie Chicks
6. Found You - Terri Clark
7. This Kiss - Faith Hill
8. Movin' On - Rankins
9. 105 - Fred J. Eaglesmith
10. Farm - Thompson Brothers
11. Workin' - John M. Montgomery
12. Dance - Mavericks
13. Yeah - Paul Brandt
14. Days - Tim McGraw
15. Heart - Sherrie Austin
16. Change - Dwight Yoakam
17. Cried - Jamie Warren
18. Holes - Steve Wariner
19. Famous - Gil Grand
20. I Do - Mark Wills

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I Do (Cherish You) - Mark Wills

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RPM COUNTRY ALBUMS

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1	1	31	SHANIA TWAIN Come On Over Mercury-314-536-003-Q	21	19	14	MAVERICKS Trampoline MCA-70018
2	2	3	GARTH BROOKS Limited Series Box Set Capitol-94572-F	22	22	37	BROOKS & DUNN Greatest Hits RCA-18852-N
3	3	6	LEANN RIMES Sittin' On Top Of The World Curb-77901-F	23	17	39	LEANN RIMES You Light Up My Life - Inspirational Songs Curb-77885-F
4	4	4	HOPE FLOATS O.S.T. Various Artists EMI-93402-F	24	21	51	LEAHY Self-titled Virgin-4295-F
5	5	8	FAITH HILL Faith Warner Bros.-46790-P	25	16	5	TRACY BYRD I'm From The Country MCA Nashville-70016-J
6	6	4	TERRI CLARK How I Feel Mercury-314 558 211-Q	26	23	13	JODEE MESSINA I'm Alright Curb-77904-F
7	8	2	BROOKS & DUNN If You See Her Arista-18865-N	27	25	20	PATSY CLINE Patsy Cline Story MCA-4038-J
8	NEW		NEW COUNTRY 5 Various Artists Warner Bros.-36524-P	28	24	4	JEFF FOXWORTHY Totally Committed Warner Bros.-6861-P
9	7	2	REBA McENTIRE If You See Him MCA Nashville-70019-J	29	28	19	DIXIE CHICKS Wide Open Spaces Monument-68195-H
10	NEW		DWIGHT YOAKAM Long Way Home Reprise-46918-P	30	20	4	HORSE WHISPERER O.S.T. Various Artists MCA Nashville-70025-J
11	12	8	GEORGE STRAIT One Step At A Time MCA-70020-J	31	34	3	TY HERNDON Big Hopes Epic-68167-H
12	10	12	COUNTRY HEAT 1998 Various Artists Ariola-55770-N	32	26	5	OLIVIA NEWTON JOHN Back With A Heart MCA-70030-J
13	9	28	GARTH BROOKS Sevens Capitol-7243-86599-F	33	30	87	SHANIA TWAIN Shania Twain Mercury-314 514 422-Q
14	11	11	REBA McENTIRE Moments & Memories-The Best Of Reba MCA-81075-J	34	27	8	STEVE WARINER Burnin' The Roadhouse Down Capitol-94482-F
15	14	58	SHANIA TWAIN The Woman In Me Mercury-314-522-886-Q	35	32	97	LEANN RIMES Bliss Curb/EMI 77821-F
16	13	53	TIM McGRAW Everywhere Curb-77886-F	36	29	39	PAUL BRANDT Outside The Frame Reprise-46635-P
17	15	41	TRISHA YEARWOOD Songbook: A Collection Of Hits Universal-7001-J	37	38	82	DEANA CARTER Did I Shave My Legs For This Capitol-37514-F
18	NEW		CLAY WALKER Greatest Hits Giant-24700-P	38	37	41	COLLIN RAYE The Best Of: Direct Hits Epic-67893-H
19	18	20	BRUCE GUTHRO Of Your Son EMI-57175-F	39	NEW		GIL GRAND Famous First Words Monument-68853-H
20	35	41	MARTINA McBRIDE Evolution RCA-07863-67516-N	40	36	2	CONWAY TWITTY The Very Best Of MCA Nashville-3128-J

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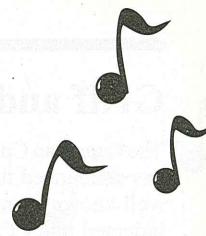
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1	1	15	ADIA Sarah McLachlan - Surfacing Netwerk 39708 (CD track)-F
2	4	19	MY FATHERS EYES Eric Clapton - Pilgrim Reprise-46577 (pro single)-P
3	3	26	TRULY MADLY DEEPLY Savage Garden - Self-titled Columbia-67954 (pro single)-H
4	7	11	I'M READY Bryan Adams - Bryan AdamsUnplugged A&M-314 454 0831 (pro single)-Q
5	5	24	YOU'RE STILL THE ONE Shania Twain - Come On Over Mercury-314-536-003 (pro single)-Q
6	6	12	LOVE PAIN AND THE WHOLE... Amy Sky - Burnt By The Sun Iron 51027 (pro single)-N
7	11	6	OOH LA LA Rod Stewart - When We Were The New Boys Warner Bros.-46792 (comp 360)-P
8	2	16	TORN Natalie Imbruglia - Left Of The Middle RCA-07863-67634 (comp 34)-N
9	8	19	FROZEN Madonna - Ray Of Light Maverick-46847 (pro single)-P
10	13	27	AS LONG AS YOU LOVE ME Backstreet Boys - Backstreet's Back Jive/BMG-01241-41617 (CD track)-N
11	16	18	RECOVER YOUR SOUL Elton John - The Big Picture Rocket/Mercury-314-568-109-Q
12	12	28	MY HEART WILL GO ON Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love 550 Music/Sony-68861 (pro single)-H
13	18	7	CRY Philosophers Kings - Famous Rich And Beautiful Columbia-80291 (comp 070)-H
14	9	7	STOP Spice Girls - Spice World Virgin-2174 (CD track)-F
15	15	13	FALLING Bruce Guthro - Of Your Son EMI-57175 (pro single)-F
16	24	10	LOOKING THROUGH YOUR EYES LeAnn Rimes - Quest For Camelot O.S.T. Curb 1448 (pro single)-P
17	20	5	KIND & GENEROUS Natalie Merchant - Ophelia Elektra-62196 (pro single)-P
18	19	5	EVERWHERE Bran Van 3000 - Glee Audio Gram-10105 (CD track)-Select
19	27	6	HEAVEN'S WHAT I FEEL Gloria Estefan - Gloria Epic-69200 (pro single)-H
20	14	14	THE WAY Fastball - Make Your Mama Proud Hollywood 620452 (pro CD)-Q



21	23	22	TOO MUCH Spice Girls - Spice World Virgin 2174 (CD track)-F
22	17	13	SAFE PLACE FROM THE STORM Michael Bolton - All That Matters Columbia-68510 (pro single)-N
23	25	17	A PROMISE I MAKE Dakota Moon - Self-titled Elektra-62163 (comp 349)-P
24	22	6	SEARCHIN' MY SOUL Vonda Shepard - Songs From Ally McBeal O.S.T. Epic-69365 (comp 073)-H
25	32	6	MY ALL Mariah Carey - Butterfly Columbia-67835 (pro single)-H
26	26	10	I'LL BE THERE FOR YOU The Moffatts - N/A EMI N/A (pro single)-F
27	39	3	I KNOW YOU Jann Arden - Happy? A&M-314-540-789 (pro single)-Q
28	31	17	WITH THESE EYES Roch Voisine - Kissing Rain RV International/BMG-43978 (pro single)-N
29	29	11	UNINVITED Alanis Morissette - City Of Angels O.S.T. Warner Bros.-829840-(CD track)-P
30	10	11	DREAMS Corrs - Talk On Corners Lava/Atlantic-83106-(comp 353)-P
31	45	4	HEROES The Wallflowers - Godzilla O.S.T. Epic-69338 (pro single)-H
32	21	25	WISHING THAT Jann Arden - Happy? A&M-314-540-789 (pro single)-Q
33	37	14	LIKE I LOVE YOU Amy Grant - Behind The Eyes A&M 314 540 760 (comp March 2)-Q
34	41	5	ONE WEEK Barenaked Ladies - Stunt Warner Bros.-46963 (pro single)-P
35	36	6	BREAK ME SHAKE ME Savage Garden - Self-titled Columbia-67954 (pro single)-H
36	30	17	ONE BELIEF AWAY Bonnie Raitt - Fundamental Capitol-56397 (pro single)-F
37	35	21	GIVE ME FOREVER John Testi/w James Ingram - Grand Passion GTP-1670 (comp 532)-Q
38	49	11	RIEND OF MINE Barstool Prophets - Last Of The Big Game... Mercury-314 518 970-(CD track)-Q
39	38	7	ALL MY LIFE K-Ci & JoJo - Love Always MCA-11613 (comp 9855)-J
40	28	14	ME Paula Cole - This Fire Warner Bros.-46424 (comp 349)-P

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IMMORTALITY Celine Dion - Let's Talk About Love Columbia 68861 (comp 075)-H
AND THE SONG GOES (DOO DIT) Code 5 - N/A Popular N/A (comp 357)-P

ST. ANNIE OF THE WILD BLUE EYES Roch Voisine - Kissing Rain RV International-43978 (pro single)-N
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ZOOT SUIT RIOT Cherry Poppin' Daddies - Title track Moto-53081 (pro single)-J
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REAL WORLD Matchbox 20 - Yourself Or Someone Like You Atlantic-92721 (comp 355)-P
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LANDSLIDE Fleetwood Mac - The Dance Reprise-46702 (comp 350)-P

A PAINTER PASSING THROUGH Gordon Lightfoot - Title Track Reprise-46949 (comp 357)-P
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MILES FROM OUR HOME Cowboy Junkies - Title track Geffen-25201 (pro single)-J

OOH IT'S KINDA CRAZY Indecision - Massive Dance Hits Vol. 3 Popular 3334 (pro single)-P
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ANYTIME Brian McKnight - Title track Mercury-314-536-215 (comp 539)-Q
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KISS THE RAIN Billie Myers - Growing Pains Universal-53100 (comp 17)-J

NEVER EVER All Saints - Self-titled London-314-556-004 (comp 542)-Q
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I WANT YOU BACK N Sync - Self-titled RCA-07863-67613 (pro single)-N
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LET'S FORGET ABOUT IT Lisa Loeb - Firecracker Geffen 25141 (pro single)-J
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TIME Lionel Richie - Title-track Mercury 314-558-518-Q

DON'T DRINK THE WATER Dave Matthews Band - Before These Crowded... RCA-67660 (comp 38)-N

POETS The Tragically Hip - Phantom Power Universal 81083 (pro single)-J
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I DON'T WANT TO MISS A THING Aerosmith - Armageddon O.S.T. Columbia 69440 (pro single)-H

OH HOW THE YEARS GO BY Vanessa Williams - Next Mercury-314 536 060 (comp 527)-Q
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YOU WANT MORE Holly Cole - Dark Dear Heart Alert-615-281-034 (comp 1898)-Q

FREAK OUT Nutt Butta Interscope-J
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I WANT YOU BACK NSYNC RCA-N
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BE CAREFUL Sparkle Interscope-J
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LIFT ME UP Red 5 Hi-Bias-Q

WITH ME (PARTII) Destiny's Child Columbia-H
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BROKEN BONES Love Inc. BMG-N

WORK Gang Starr Noo Tribe-F
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GHETTO SUPERSTAR Pras Michael/ODB/Maya Universal-J

ZOOM Dr. Dre w/L.L.Cool.J Interscope-J

CRUEL SUMMER Ace Of Base Arista-N
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1 1 8 **TOO CLOSE**
Next
BMG-N

2 3 8 **A ROSE IS STILL A ROSE**
Aretha Franklin
Arista-N

3 2 10 **ON THE RUN**
DeBos
Ariola-N

4 7 6 **STAY**
Sash
Polymedia-Q

5 4 16 **NO NO NO (Part II)**
Destiny's Child
Columbia-H

6 5 9 **I GET LONELY**
Janet Jackson
Virgin-F

7 11 4 **THE BOY IS MINE**
Brandy Feat. Monica
Atlantic-P

8 6 13 **WHAT YOU WANT**
Mase
Arista-N

9 8 15 **LA DE DA DE DA DE**
Out There Brothers
Attic-J

10 9 5 **DO FOR LOVE**
2Pac
BMG-N

11 17 3 **THE WAY YOU LIKE IT (SEX U UP)**
LFO
Logic-N

12 10 13 **I KNOW WHERE IT'S AT**
All Saints
London-Q

13 21 3 **TEARIN' UP MY HEART**
N'Sync
RCA-N

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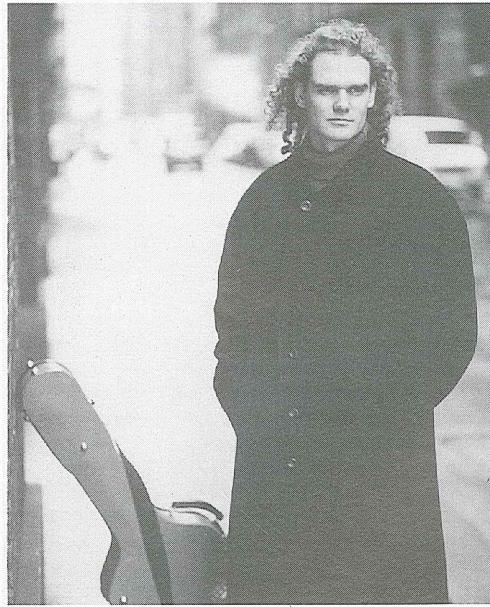
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Attic-J

17 16 4 **RAY OF**

Third album for Narada's Jesse Cook

Canadian flamenco sensation Jesse Cook is as elated as can be expected. He is sitting in the RPM offices looking, for the very first time, at the final product of his newest release, titled *Vertigo*. Cook meticulously studies the packaging and the sleeve design -- all of which were done under his supervision months ago -- before nodding his head in satisfaction.

"A CD is an aesthetic experience from when you open it up to when you put it on," he muses sagely. "Often, while you're listening, you're looking at the sleeve. I've always believed that a



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CD should all be one experience, it should all hold together."

Holding it together is something that Cook has become renowned for in the relatively short span of a three album career. His first, titled *Tempest*, emulated what its title suggested in music, making it a year long chart success in the US and in Canada. Narada came knocking at the door soon thereafter, releasing *Gravity*, which certified Gold in this country.

"*Gravity* was a point of departure for *Vertigo* in that my favourite songs on *Gravity* were unusual. There's a sort of ominousness and a vastness of those songs and also the Arabic influences -- I wanted to incorporate them into this work so."

Consequently, *Vertigo* showcases Cook's mastery over a world music dialect in the tradition of rumba flamenca music. Several songs from

Vertigo carry over the Arabic influence, including the title track, *Byzantium Underground*, and *Red*.

"A record is a very different thing from a live show: what you want to hear in your living room at 11 o'clock at night is not necessarily what you want to hear when you're all pumped up at a big show and you want to dance. With this album, I wanted it to be more aggressive, things like *That's Right* and *Avocado* are more punchy and in your face. What I wanted to do with the song *Tempest* on the first record is what I achieved in *Rattle and Burn*; a real nasty kind of grunge traditional rhumba. It's got a nastiness. I know it sounds strange but if you listen to George Clinton and all those big funkadelic era musicians, there's a concept of slamming the one, the first beat of the song is really emphasised, I love that. It really makes you want to dance and I always wondered how I could incorporate it into my music, take a bit of rhumba flamenco and incorporate that."

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