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## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **ARTIST MARCUS GLENN CREATES OFFICIAL ARTWORK FOR THE 56TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS<sup>®</sup>**

**SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Dec. 17, 2013)** — The Recording Academy<sup>®</sup> is pleased to announce the selection of artist Marcus Glenn to create the official artwork for the **56th Annual GRAMMY Awards<sup>®</sup>**. The work, featuring the iconic GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> image, is a colorful acrylic on wood mixed media piece that Glenn fittingly calls, "One Nite Outta This World." It will be used as the official artwork for Music's Biggest Night<sup>®</sup> and will grace the cover of the GRAMMY Awards program book, telecast tickets and promotional poster. The music industry's premier event will take place live on **Sunday, Jan. 26**, 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 WestwoodOne, and covered online at [GRAMMY.com](#) and [CBS.com](#), and on [YouTube](#). For GRAMMY coverage, updates and breaking news, please visit The Recording Academy's social networks on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#).

"We are pleased to have Marcus Glenn join the illustrious list of artists who have teamed with The Recording Academy to create our official GRAMMY Awards pieces and demonstrate the connection between all the arts and the value of the creative industries," said Neil Portnow, President/CEO of The Recording Academy. "The vibrancy and enthusiasm of Marcus' work matches the spirit of the GRAMMYS."

Detroit-based artist Marcus Glenn has created a unique style based in music and movement. His colorful pieces often examine the world of musicians and the interplay of human figures and musical instruments, and use vibrant colors inspired by the rhythm and blues within his works. Glenn is one of the most widely collected contemporary artists and his collectors eagerly await each new piece. His work is currently displayed in prestigious art galleries throughout the United States, England, France, Russia, and Japan, and his commissioned pieces hang in some of the most exclusive private collections in the United States.

Glenn joins a growing list of talented artists including Shepard Fairey, Charles Fazzino, Frank Gehry, and Peter Max who have created the annual official GRAMMY artwork.

#### **About The Recording Academy**

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](http://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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Image of official artwork available upon request.

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