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**TEN-TIME GRAMMY® WINNER BOB DYLAN
TO BE HONORED AS
2015 MUSICARES® PERSON OF THE YEAR AT
25TH ANNIVERSARY TRIBUTE**

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*Annual Gala Benefiting The MusiCares Foundation® and Its Health and Human Services
Programs for Music People Will Be Held During GRAMMY® Week
on Friday, Feb. 6, 2015*

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Sept. 23, 2014) — Bob Dylan will be honored as the **2015 MusiCares® Person of the Year** on **Friday, Feb. 6, 2015**, it was announced today by Neil Portnow, President/CEO of the MusiCares Foundation® and The Recording Academy®, and Bill Silva, Chair of the MusiCares Foundation Board. Proceeds from the **25th annual benefit gala** dinner and concert — to be held in Los Angeles during GRAMMY Week two nights prior to the 57th Annual GRAMMY Awards® — will provide essential support for MusiCares (www.musicares.org), which ensures that music people have a place to turn in times of financial, medical and personal need.

Performers at the tribute concert include GRAMMY winners **Beck; the Black Keys; Crosby, Stills & Nash; Norah Jones; Tom Jones; Los Lobos; John Mellencamp; Willie Nelson; Bonnie Raitt; Eddie Vedder; Jack White; and Neil Young;** as well as singer/songwriter **John Doe**. Three-time GRAMMY-winning producer and recent Emmy® winner **Don Was** will be the evening's **musical director**. Additional performers will be announced shortly.

"In celebrating the 25th anniversary of our MusiCares Person of the Year tribute, it is most fitting that we are honoring Bob Dylan, whose body of creative work has contributed to America's culture, as well as that of the entire world, in genuinely deep and lasting ways," said Portnow.

"Bob Dylan's songwriting ability is unmatched, and it will be an extraordinary evening to hear his work showcased by such a remarkable group of artists," said Silva.

The 2015 MusiCares Person of the Year gala will begin with a reception and silent auction offering an exclusive and unparalleled selection of luxury items, VIP experiences and one-of-a-kind celebrity memorabilia for bidding guests. The reception and silent auction will be followed by a dinner, the award presentation and a tribute concert by renowned musicians. The MusiCares Person of the Year tribute ceremony is one of the most prestigious events held during GRAMMY Week. The celebration culminates with the 57th Annual GRAMMY Awards at STAPLES Center on Sunday, Feb. 8, 2015. The telecast will be broadcast live on the CBS Television Network at 8 p.m. ET/PT.

The **MusiCares Foundation**[®] offers programs and services to members of the music community, including **emergency financial assistance** for basic living expenses such as rent, utilities and car payments; medical expenses including doctor, dentist and hospital bills; psychotherapy; and treatment for HIV/AIDS, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, hepatitis C, and other critical illnesses. MusiCares offers nationwide **educational workshops** covering a variety of subjects, including financial, legal, medical, and substance abuse issues, and **programs** in collaboration with health care professionals that provide services such as flu shots, hearing tests, and medical/dental screenings. The **MusiCares MAP Fund** allows access to addiction recovery treatment and sober living resources for members of the music community. Staffed by qualified chemical dependency and intervention specialists, MusiCares **Safe Harbor Rooms**, supported by the Bohemian Foundation, offer a support network to those in recovery while they are participating in the production of televised music shows and other major music events. MusiCares holds **weekly addiction support groups** for people to discuss how to best cope with the issues surrounding the recovery process. The **MusiCares Sober Touring Network** is a database of individuals across the United States who can take music people to recovery support meetings while on the road.

Established more than 20 years ago by The Recording Academy, MusiCares provides a safety net of critical assistance for music people in times of need. MusiCares' services and resources cover a wide range of financial, medical and personal emergencies, and each case is treated with integrity and confidentiality. MusiCares also focuses the resources and attention of the music industry on human service issues that directly impact the health and welfare of the music community. For more information, please visit www.musicares.org. For breaking news and exclusive content, please like "MusiCares" on [Facebook](#), follow @MusiCares on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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

For information on purchasing tables and tickets to the event, please contact **Dana Tomarken** at **MusiCares, 310.392.3777**.

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