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NEWS RELEASE

THE RECORDING ACADEMY[®] MEMPHIS CHAPTER CELEBRATES 40TH ANNIVERSARY

*Festivities Kick Off With Free Concert at Levitt Shell on July 13, Featuring
GRAMMY-Winning Artists and Nominees*

GRAMMY-Themed Exhibit To Open at Stax Museum in Mid-October

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (July 02, 2013) – [The Recording Academy[®] Memphis Chapter](#) will celebrate 40 years of proudly serving the Memphis and Mid-South region by hosting a variety of special events. Founded in 1973, the Memphis Chapter nourishes the region's music scene by developing local pride in its rich musical heritage as well as creating opportunities to help independent music makers and emerging artists.

The Memphis Chapter's 40th anniversary milestone celebration will kick off with a free concert on **Saturday, July 13, 7 p.m.**, at **Levitt Shell**. Attendees will be able to explore the Chapter's 40-year history through rarely seen video footage and special live performances. GRAMMY[®] winners and nominees from throughout the region, heritage artists, and regional favorites will come together to perform songs that shine a spotlight on the Chapter's legacy, including music inducted in to GRAMMY Hall Of Fame[®].

Continuing the celebration, the Memphis Chapter will team up with the Stax Museum in Memphis to create a GRAMMY-themed exhibit. The exhibit will include GRAMMY memorabilia such as GRAMMY Hall Of Fame certificates, never-before-seen photographs, and artifacts from various GRAMMY winners. The exhibit is set to open Oct. 17, 2013, and will run through July 31, 2014.

Additionally, the Memphis Chapter will host **GRAMMY GPS: A Road Map For Today's Music Biz** at the **Stax Museum** on **Saturday, Oct. 26**. The GRAMMY Professional Development Event will feature keynote speakers and industry professionals, and will explore various topics related to the business side of the music industry.

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.

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Founded in 1973, The Recording Academy Memphis Chapter nourishes the region's music scene by developing local pride in its rich musical heritage as well as creating opportunities to help independent music makers and emerging artists. The Chapter represents music professionals from New Orleans and Lafayette, La., to all of Mississippi, Arkansas and Missouri. For more information about The Recording Academy Memphis Chapter, please visit <http://www.grammy365.com/chapters/memphis-chapter>.

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