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## 2013 JUNO AWARD NOMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

***Carly Rae Jepsen leads the pack with five nominations!***

***Multi-nominees include Billy Talent, Hedley, Justin Bieber, Leonard Cohen, Marianas Trench, Metric and Rush***

*Tickets to The 2013 JUNO Awards Broadcast on CTV go on sale **Friday, February 22 at 10:00 a.m. CST***

Toronto, ON (February 19, 2013) — The nominees for the 2013 JUNO Awards were announced by The Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (CARAS) at a press conference in Toronto this morning, as Canada's top artists now get ready for a trip to the Prairies during **JUNO Week in Regina and Moose Jaw, April 15 – April 21, 2013**.

It was also announced that 2013 JUNO Award nominees **Carly Rae Jepsen, Billy Talent, Marianas Trench** and **Michael Bublé** will perform during the **Sunday, April 21** broadcast from Regina's Brandt Centre. Additional performers will be announced in the coming weeks!

Bubl , the host of **The 2013 JUNO Awards Broadcast**, airing live on CTV, is also nominated this year and will contend for the *JUNO Fan Choice Award*\*.

Tickets for **The 2013 JUNO Awards** go on sale on **Friday, February 22 at 10:00 a.m. CST**. Tickets range from \$59 to \$189 (plus taxes and service charges) and are available through the Evraz Place Box Office, by phone at 1-855-985-5000, and online at [www.ticketmaster.ca](http://www.ticketmaster.ca).

**To view a complete list of 2013 JUNO Award nominees, as well as their bios, photos and hometown information, go to [www.junoawards.ca](http://www.junoawards.ca).**

It wasn't even close to a maybe. **Carly Rae Jepsen** definitely got the call in 2013. The B.C.-born pop star leads with nominations in five categories: *JUNO Fan Choice*\*, *Single of the Year*, *Album of the Year*\*, *Artist of the Year*, and *Pop Album of the Year*\*.

Close behind her is **Justin Bieber** who will contend for *Album of the Year*\*, *JUNO Fan Choice*\*, *Artist of the Year*, and *Pop Album of the Year*\*.

Landing their first-ever JUNO Award nominations in the *Breakthrough Artist of the Year*\* category (formerly *New Artist of the Year*)— are up-and-coming artists **Cold Specks, Elisapie, Grimes, Kira Isabella**, and **The Weeknd**.

In *Breakthrough Group of the Year*\* (formerly *New Group of the Year*) – the nominees hoping to take home a JUNO Award are **Hey Ocean!, Monster Truck, The Pack a.d., Walk off the Earth**, and **Yukon Blonde**.

Canadian legend **Leonard Cohen** received three nods for *JUNO Fan Choice*\*, *Artist of the Year*, and *Songwriter of the Year*\*. But he isn't the only one in the Cohen family getting attention. His son, **Adam Cohen**, has been nominated for the inaugural *Adult Contemporary Album of the Year*. Fellow nominees in the new category are **Barlow, Raylene Rankin, The Tenors**, and **C line Dion**. Dion received two other nominations for *JUNO Fan Choice*\*, and *Album of the Year*\*.

*Rock Album of the Year*\* nominees include **Big Wreck, Rush, The Tragically Hip, The Sheepdogs,** and **Billy Talent** vying for the win. The Sheepdogs and Billy Talent will also face off in two other categories: Single of the Year and Group of the Year.

Other triple nominees include **Metric** for *Group of the Year, Alternative Album of the Year\**, and *JUNO Fan Choice\**; **Hedley** for *JUNO Fan Choice\*, Single of the Year,* and *Album of the Year\**; and **Marianas Trench** for *JUNO Fan Choice\*, Album of the Year\*,* and *Group of the Year*.

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**Sponsors of the 2013 JUNO Awards** include FACTOR, Canada's Private Radio Broadcasters and The Government of Canada through the Department of Canadian Heritage's "Canada Music Fund," Radio Starmaker Fund, the Province of Saskatchewan, Potash Corporation, the City of Regina, the Regina Hotel Association, the City of Moose Jaw, and TD.

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The Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences/L'académie canadienne des arts et des sciences de l'enregistrement (CARAS) is a not-for-profit organization created to preserve and enhance the Canadian music and recording industries and to contribute toward higher artistic and industry standards. The main focus of CARAS is the exploration and development of ongoing opportunities to showcase and promote Canadian artists and music through vehicles such as The JUNO Awards and other year-round initiatives. For more information on the 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual JUNO Awards or The Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences' (CARAS) website please visit [www.junoawards.ca](http://www.junoawards.ca) or [www.carasonline.ca](http://www.carasonline.ca).

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