



[Metallica](#) photo courtesy of Facebook.com

January 7, 2014. Another January day, another round of GRAMMY performer announcements. Lorde, [Katy Perry](#) and Robin Thicke with Chicago will take the stage later this month. (Thicke, if you remember, performed at the GRAMMY nominations concert last month with [Earth, Wind & Fire \(read the OFC interview\)](#), so he's just continuing on that same train, it seems.)

But the most surprising part of the announcement? That Metallica, eight-time GRAMMY winners mind you, will perform with the GRAMMY Cultural Ambassador to China, Lang Lang.

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All four are nominated this year: Lorde with four nods (Record of the Year, Song of the Year, Best Pop Solo Performance for "Royals" and Best Pop Vocal Album for Pure Heroine); Thicke with three noms (Record of the Year and Best Pop Duo/Group Performance for "Blurred Lines," Best Pop Vocal Album for Blurred Lines); Perry with two (Song of the Year and Best Pop Solo Performance for "Roar"); and Metallica with one (for their Metallica Through the Never soundtrack(Music up for Best Recording Package). Read more on [radio.com](#)

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Music's Biggest Night, the 56th Annual GRAMMY Awards, will return to Los Angeles' Staples Center on Sunday, Jan. 26, 2014, and will be broadcast in high-definition and 5.1 surround sound on the CBS Television Network from 8–11:30 p.m. (ET/PT).



[Robin Thicke](#) - photo courtesy of Facebook.com

Highlighted nominations for the 56th annual Grammys:

Record Of The Year

Award to the Artist and to the Producer(s), Recording Engineer(s) and/or Mixer(s), if other than the artist.

- Get Lucky

Daft Punk & Pharrell Williams

- Radioactive

Imagine Dragons

- Royals

Lorde

- Locked Out Of Heaven

Bruno Mars

- Blurred Lines

Robin Thicke Featuring T.I. & Pharrell

Album Of The Year

Award to the Artist(s) and to the Album Producer(s), Recording Engineer(s) and/or Mixer(s) & Mastering Engineer(s), if other than the artist.

- The Blessed Unrest

Sara Bareilles

- Random Access Memories

Daft Punk

- Good Kid, M.A.A.D City

Kendrick Lamar

- The Heist

Macklemore & Ryan Lewis

- Red

Taylor Swift

Song Of The Year

A Songwriter(s) Award. A song is eligible if it was first released or if it first achieved prominence during the Eligibility Year. (Artist names appear in parentheses.) Singles or Tracks only.

- Just Give Me A Reason

Jeff Bhasker, Pink & Nate Ruess, songwriters (Pink Featuring Nate Ruess)

- Locked Out Of Heaven

Philip Lawrence, Ari Levine & Bruno Mars, songwriters (Bruno Mars)

- Roar

Lukasz Gottwald, Max Martin, Bonnie McKee, Katy Perry & Henry Walter, songwriters (Katy Perry)

- Royals

Joel Little & Ella Yelich O'Connor, songwriters (Lorde)

- Same Love

Ben Haggerty, Mary Lambert & Ryan Lewis, songwriters (Macklemore & Ryan Lewis Featuring Mary Lambert)

Best New Artist

For a new artist who releases, during the eligibility year, the first recording which establishes the public identity of that artist.

- James Blake
- Kendrick Lamar
- Macklemore & Ryan Lewis
- Kacey Musgraves
- Ed Sheeran