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### **Top 25 announced for BCCMA and Music BC *Artist Development Project***

#### **Next round to be held at Cloverdale Rodeo**

***Vancouver, BC May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015.*** The BCCMA and Music BC would like to **CONGRATULATE the TOP 25 Artists** who will be moving forward to Round Two, of the *Artist Development Project*:

*(in no particular order)*

Ben Klick, Cash Crawford, Chris Buck, Lanie McAuley, Rod Black, Sons of Daughters, Andrew Christopher, Brad Darrid, Danielle Marie, Lisa Nicole, Dave Hartney, Arlen Park, Bruce Coughlan, Patrick John, JoJo Mason, Megan Twist, Joey Clarkson, Michael Painchaud, Thorn Hill, DaniElle, Chicken Like Birds, Michelle Schultz, Clay George, Jordan Dean and Peter James.

The next round will be held at the Cloverdale Rodeo & Exhibition where all 25 artists will perform before a live audience and Judges, May 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

The top 10 will be announced May 18<sup>th</sup> via email will move onto round 3 at the Rockin' River Music Festival in Merritt July 30-August 2, 2015.

We would like to thank all of the entrants for the time and thoroughness of their submissions.

The BCCMA and Music BC would also like to extend a special 'THANK YOU' to the Judges of round one who volunteered their time in support of the Artist Development Project:

Curtis Pope – Country 107.1 Abbotsford  
Casey Clark/Roo Phelps – 100.7 Penticton  
Louis 'Big Rig' McIvor – Country 103 Kamloops  
David Wills – BCCMA Director  
Jay Buettner – BCCMA Industry Member  
Karen Lee Batten – BCCMA Female Vocalist of the Year

### ***About the BCCMA***

The BCCMA is a non-profit society serving the British Columbia music industry and provides B.C.'s performers, songwriters, producers, agents, managers, etc. opportunities to network at various events throughout the year. Membership also gives fans an opportunity to meet singers, musicians, songwriters and radio/TV/newspaper personalities along with friends who share the same interests. Our Annual Awards Show is a first class event that has sustained itself for 37 plus years.

<http://bccountry.com/>

### ***About Music BC***

Music BC is a non-profit society serving the British Columbia music industry through providing essential information, education, funding, advocacy, showcasing, and networking opportunities. Music BC is dedicated to developing the spirit, growth and sustainability of the BC music community by supporting artists of all genres and music professionals throughout the industry.

<http://musicbc.org/>

For more information on the Project go to: <http://musicbc.org/bccma-music-bc-artist-development-program/>

Thank you everyone for your continued support in Country Music in BC !

