

#### Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert Win Awards

At the 46th annual CMA awards, married couple Blake Shelton and Miranda Lambert take home the year's highest honors in country music.



#### fun. Releases Second Single

After the success of last year's "We Are Young," fun. has high hopes for its latest single, "Some Nights."



AMA Calls Carly

Carly Rae, whose song "Call Me Maybe" is a surprise hit, is named New Artist of the Year by the American Music Awards.



#### **▲** Ocean Considers Fiction

Breakout music star Frank Ocean tells an interviewer that he might write a novel because he enjoys the storytelling aspect of music.



#### ▲ Shakira Wins AMA Award

Colombia's global pop star Shakira wins her fourth AMA statuette, bringing home the award for Favorite Latin Artist.



## **PSY** Is Most Watched

With more than 854 million hits, the viral video of "Gangnam Style" by Korean pop star PSY becomes the most-watched YouTube video of all time.





Two Grammy Nominations Go to Newcomers

The Lumineers, a folk-rock band from Denver, receive Grammy nominations for Best New Artist and Best Americana Album.



#### Pop Fans Love One Direction

After appearing at the Summer Olympics, the popular English-Irish boy band One Direction releases its second album, Take Me Home.



#### ▲ Bryan Emerges as Rising **Country Star**

Singer-songwriter Luke Bryan's singles, like "Kiss Tomorrow Goodbye," are climbing the pop and country charts.





#### It's Nicki Versus Mariah in "Idol" Feud

Dueling American Idol judges Nicki Minaj and Mariah Carey swap insults and threats on camera and via Twitter.



## TobyMac Inspires AMA

The American Music Awards choose TobyMac as the year's Favorite Contemporary/Inspirational Artist.



#### ▲ Pink Enjoys a Career First

After 12 years in the music business, Pink finally achieves a No. 1 album with the success of her newest release, The Truth About Love.



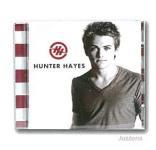
#### **A Rapper Supports** Veterans

Flo Rida contributes his talents to the "Got Your Six" campaign, which helps combat veterans return to civilian life.



# With the release of Red.

her fourth studio album, Taylor Swift is the first female artist to release two albums with sales of \$1 million.



#### **▲ CMA Celebrates** Hayes

At age 21, Louisiana native and multi-instrumentalist country star Hunter Hayes is named Best New Artist at the CMA Awards.





### Bieber Makes Headlines at AMA

Justin Bieber duets with Nicki Minaj, brings his mom up on stage and gets a kiss from Jenny McCarthy at the American Music Awards.



#### **NEEDTOBREATHE Wins Dove Award**

The South Carolina Christian music band NEEDTOBREATHE wins the Dove Award for Group of the Year.



#### **Viewers Sing Cassadee's Praises**

Los Angeles-based solo artist Cassadee Pope garners the most viewer votes and becomes the first female winner of The Voice.