



*****MEDIA ALERT FOR JUNE 23 — JULY 2, 2009*****

**GRAMMY® CHARITY ONLINE AUCTIONS OFFER
ICONIC ARTIST-SIGNED *ROLLING STONE* MAGAZINES TO BENEFIT
MUSICARES® AND THE GRAMMY FOUNDATION®**

WHO: MusiCares® and the GRAMMY Foundation®

WHAT: GRAMMY® Charity Online Auctions — the latest in this year's auction series offers legendary *Rolling Stone* magazines — spanning more than 30 years and autographed by the cover artists. Issues range from the fabulous and vintage to the completely current. These extraordinary, elegantly framed lots are available for bid **now through July 2** at www.ebay.com/grammy, presented in partnership with Kompolt. Winning bidders can enjoy these one-of-a-kind collectibles with all proceeds benefiting MusiCares and the GRAMMY Foundation.

Among the *Rolling Stone* cover artists are:

- Christina Aguilera
- Bon Jovi
- Mariah Carey
- Neil Diamond
- Zac Efron
- Eminem
- Melissa Etheridge
- Fall Out Boy
- Fergie
- Dustin Hoffman
- Jay-Z
- John Mayer
- Jack Nicholson
- Tom Petty
- Red Hot Chili Peppers
- Keith Richards
- Sting
- Paul Simon
- Slash
- Steven Tyler
- Usher
- Ronnie Wood
- Rob Zombie

WHEN: The auction runs **now** through **July 2**

WHERE: www.ebay.com/grammy

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WHY: Proceeds from **GRAMMY Charity Online Auctions** provide essential support for **MusiCares** and the **GRAMMY Foundation**. **MusiCares** ensures that music people have a place to turn in times of financial, medical and personal need by providing programs and services including **emergency financial assistance, educational workshops, and flu shots, hearing tests and medical/dental screenings**. The **MusiCares MAP Fund**[®] allows access to addiction recovery treatment and sober living resources for members of the music community regardless of their financial circumstances, and **Safe Harbor Rooms, weekly addiction support groups**, and the **MusiCares Sober Touring Network** provide ongoing recovery support.

Under the banner of **GRAMMY in the Schools**[®], the **GRAMMY Foundation** produces a range of distinct education programs — across the country throughout the year — that serve high school students and their schools including **GRAMMY Career Day** presented by the Gibson Foundation; **GRAMMY SoundChecks**; **GRAMMY Signature Schools** presented by the Gibson Foundation; **GRAMMY Jazz Ensembles**; and **GRAMMY Camp**[®] sponsored in part by Epiphone. The GRAMMY Foundation also offers preservation and advancement initiatives, fosters dialogue about compelling issues facing the music industry, supports projects that increase the understanding of music and its role in society, and raises public awareness about the urgent need to preserve our nation's recorded sound legacy. These programs include the **Entertainment Law Initiative**[®], the **Grant Program** with funding generously provided by The Recording Academy[®], the **Living Histories** program and the **Music Preservation Project**.

The GRAMMY Foundation was established in 1989 to cultivate the understanding, appreciation and advancement of the contribution of recorded music to American culture — from the artistic and technical legends of the past to the still unimagined musical breakthroughs of future generations of music professionals. The Foundation accomplishes this mission through programs and activities that engage the music industry and cultural community as well as the general public. The Foundation works in partnership year-round with its founder, The Recording Academy[®], to bring national attention to important issues such as the value and impact of music and arts education and the urgency of preserving our rich cultural heritage. For more information, please visit www.grammyfoundation.com.

Established in 1989 by The Recording Academy, MusiCares provides a safety net of critical assistance for music people in times of need. MusiCares' services and resources cover a wide range of financial, medical and personal emergencies, and each case is treated with integrity and confidentiality. MusiCares also focuses the resources and attention of the music industry on human service issues that directly impact the health and welfare of the music community. For more information, please visit www.musicares.com.

GRAMMY Online Charity Auctions are presented in partnership with Kompolt, a California-based online auction agency focused on creating successful, high-value, high-profile promotional and charity auctions for top brand companies. For more information on Kompolt, please visit www.kompolt.com.

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