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BILOXI

## **Concert venue Hard Rock Live, within Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Biloxi, nominated for Casino of the Year for the 50<sup>th</sup> Academy of Country Music Awards**

**BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI (Thursday, February 26, 2015)** – The Academy of Country Music announced today the Industry Award and Studio Recording Award nominees for the **50<sup>th</sup> Academy of Country Music Awards**. Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Biloxi's concert venue, Hard Rock Live was nominated for an Industry Award for Casino of the Year - Small Capacity. Industry and Studio Recording awards will not be televised due to time constraints during the live telecast of the 50<sup>th</sup> ACM Awards co-hosted by Blake Shelton and Luke Bryan from AT&T Stadium, home of the Dallas Cowboys, in Arlington, TX on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:00PM live ET/delayed PT on the CBS Television Network.

Industry Award and Studio Recording Award honorees will be feted at the **9<sup>th</sup> Annual ACM Honors** event on September 1, 2015 at the historic Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, TN.

### **INDUSTRY AWARD NOMINEES:**

#### **CASINO OF THE YEAR – SMALL CAPACITY**

- Hard Rock Live – Biloxi, MS
- Peppermill Concert Hall – West Wendover, NV
- Riverwind Casino – Norman, OK
- Soaring Eagle Casino & Resort – Mount Pleasant, MI
- WinStar World Casino – Thackerville, OK

### **About Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Biloxi**

*Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Biloxi is owned and operated by Premier Entertainment Biloxi LLC, a subsidiary of TRMG, which is wholly owned by Twin River Worldwide Holdings. The property features a Hard Rock Casino with over 1,200 slot machines, 50 table games and a poker room. The Rock Spa offers services such as facials, massages, body wraps and a full service salon. There are also 479 hotel rooms and suites. Additional conveniences include fitness center, unique beach pool features, five restaurants including Half Shell Oyster House, Satisfaction Buffet, 24/7 Grille, Ruth's Chris Steak House, and the Hard Rock Café. Hard Rock Live® can accommodate over 2,000 guests for headline entertainment. Retail shops include the Rock Shop, Ben & Jerry's, and Starbucks. The Hard Rock Hotel and Casino is located at 777 Beach Boulevard – Home of the Largest Jackpot in Mississippi Gaming History! For more information, visit [www.hardrockbiloxi.com](http://www.hardrockbiloxi.com)*

### **About Hard Rock International**

*With a total of 197 venues in 62 countries, including 151 cafes, 21 hotels and 10 casinos, Hard Rock International (HRI) is one of the most globally recognized companies. Beginning with an Eric Clapton guitar, Hard Rock owns the world's greatest collection of music memorabilia, which is displayed at its locations around the globe. Hard Rock is also known for its collectible fashion and music-related merchandise, Hard Rock Live performance venues and an award-winning website. HRI owns the global trademark for all Hard Rock brands. The company owns, operates and franchises Cafes in iconic cities including London, New York, San Francisco, Sydney and Dubai. HRI also owns, licenses and/or manages hotel/casino properties worldwide. Destinations include the company's two most successful Hotel and Casino properties in Tampa and Hollywood, Fl., both owned and operated by HRI parent company The Seminole Tribe of Florida, as well as other exciting locations including Bali, Chicago, Cancun, Ibiza, Las Vegas, Macau and San Diego. Upcoming new Hard Rock Cafe locations include San Juan, Rio de Janeiro and Marrakech. New Hard Rock Hotel projects include Daytona Beach, Dubai, Los Cabos, Dallas-Fort Worth, Tenerife, Abu Dhabi, and Shenzhen and Haikou in China. For more information on Hard Rock International, visit [www.hardrock.com](http://www.hardrock.com).*

**About the Academy of Country Music Awards**

*The Academy of Country Music Awards is dedicated to honoring and showcasing the biggest names and emerging talent in the country music industry. The 50th ACM Awards celebrating the golden anniversary of Country Music's Party of the Year® is produced for television by Dick Clark productions and will be broadcast LIVE from AT&T Stadium in Arlington, TX, on Sunday, April 19, 2015, at 8:00 P.M. live ET/delayed PT on the CBS Television Network.*

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