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The **Best Country** Album  
right now of 2014?

# The Hottest Summer 2014 Concerts

By Rebecca Emont

Summer concerts are one of the most exciting parts of summer! So, if you still do not know which to attend you have to check these ones out. It doesn't matter what genre of music you listen to - one of these concerts should appeal to you.

If you're interested in electronic dance music, or EDM, there is a date for the EDM Carnival tour which is stopping at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, New Jersey. There are going to be some great acts like Calvin Harris, Cash

Cash, and Afrojack. Be sure to check the EDM Carnival tour out! The dates are Saturday May 24th and Sunday May 25th, so put these dates in your calendar!

If you are a Paramore and Fall Out Boy fan, there is some good news! They are going on tour together and there is a date close by. On June 28 at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel, New Jersey they will be playing together. Although Paramore's sound has changed considerably over the years, they will definitely be playing old hits and then some new hits. Fall Out Boy's sound has also changed - but if you remain loyal to

Pete Wentz (the bassist) then you won't want to miss this.

But if you are a huge country music fan, the biggest country tour of the year is coming to the PNC Bank Arts Center. There are huge acts performing and if you love pick-up trucks and drinking then this event is for you.

On May 18th Dierks Bentley will be making an appearance and on June 1st Luke Bryan will be playing on the very same stage. If those two artists aren't your favorite then you can wait around to see the Rascal Flatts on June 22nd or Toby Keith on July 25th!



Now for all those *Glee* fans who heard the "Don't Stop Believing" song on the show, *Journey*, the original performers of the hit song are going on tour! This band is legendary and if you love classic rock this show will definitely be fun for

you. This concert is on June 11th, also at the PNC Bank Arts Center in Holmdel. Opening up for Journey will be the Steve Miller Band.

Finally, although Queen will never be the same without Freddie Mercury, former American Idol contestant Adam Lambert does a great job at fronting the band. His vocals are seemingly flawless and his vocal range is incredible. Also, he's a wonderful, theatrical performer. You will not want to miss this concert at Madison Square Garden on July 17th!

# Latin Knights - Boston Brass and Rutgers Symphony Band

## By Gina Vingara

New Brunswick is home to many cultural places to see events. Among the most popular is its NJ State Theater, which has been hosting famous comedians, actors, and musicians since 1921.



The Rutgers Symphony Band, founded in 2000, is a 95-piece ensemble comprised of music majors and non-music majors attending Rutgers University,

under the direction of Professor Darryl Bott.

Friday, March 14 was no exception. The title heading the marquis that night read "Latin Knights – Boston Brass and Rutgers Symphony Band."

The Boston Brass is one of the leading brass chamber groups in the world. Founded 27 years ago, the current lineup is Jose Sibaja on lead trumpet, Jeff Conner (co-founder) on trumpet, Chris Castellanos on French horn, Domingo Pagliuca on trombone, and Sam Pilafian on tuba.

These 5 men are college professors, public educators, and have performed on stages such as the Grammy's, Saturday Night Live, and with musicians such as Ricky Martin and Gloria Estefan.

This was an exciting, unexpected event for the Symphony Band, but with prolonged rehearsals and hard work, the group was ready to hit the stage.

The program featured works such as:

- "Fiesta Del Pacifico – Roger Nixon"
- "Capriccio Espagnol – Rimsky-Korsakov" with the Boston Brass
- "Amparito Roca – Texidor"
- Many Boston Brass solos

The Boston Brass's interactions with the Symphony Band students were ones that will never be forgotten.

The quintet taught the meaning of what it means to be in a group where every single player is equal and highly respected.

# The **billboard** 2014 Top 5 Money Makers: The Rich List

## By Maiy Elbery

Ever wonder who really makes the big bucks in the music industry? Billboard just recently ranked the highest-paid musicians of the past year and you will not believe who made it to number one.

The top five leading money makers are all in a different range of genres, from a little bit of country to a whole lot of rock'n'roll, these five really made record breaking numbers this year.

### 5. The Rolling Stone

2013 Earnings: \$26,225,121.71



If you thought The Rolling Stones were an act of the past, you could not be more wrong. In 2013, the rockers celebrated the bands 50th anniversary by doing what they do best – performing on tour. The 15-show tour sold out everywhere, averaging \$4.7 million gross and 14,000 in attendance at U.S. arenas. Along with a sold out concert tour, they pushed out a couple new songs to their greatest-hits package, the 50-

track "Grr!" The band sold nearly 300,000 physical units and 1.5 million track downloads. According to multiple sources, the band also partnered with Citi adding another \$5 million.

### 4. Bon Jovi

2013 Earnings: \$29,436,801.04

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Jovi had come out on top. They grossed \$83 million from concert revenues alone along with \$300,00 in royalties due to more than 1.5 million downloads from their fifth album release, "What About Now." Since Bon Jovi is a touring band, the road-warrior makes an estimated \$2 million per year in online purchases from fans.

### 3. Justin Timberlake

2013 Earnings: \$31,463,297.03



What a year this has been for the fashion and pop icon, Justin Timberlake! Releasing his first album since 2006 and touring by himself and

alongside Jay Z, the artist generated \$60 million from a dozen shows. He grossed \$43 million and collected more than \$5 million in royalties from albums, tracks and streaming.

## 2. Kenny Chesney

2013 Earnings: \$32,956,240.70

45-year-old country musician, Kenny Chesney, remains one of the most consistent



earners in the music industry, according to Billboard. The 2013 release of "Life on a Rock", was Chesney's seventh chart-topper, while touring. He earned \$90 million, alone, from his No Shoes Nation trek tour.

## 1. Taylor Swift

Earnings: \$39,699,575.60

Taylor Swift has crushed every level of revenue in 2013. Through



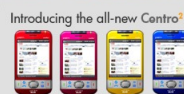
merchandising, branding, sponsorships, and touring, there is not a place she has not earned money from. Her album sales are eight among all of Billboard's Money

Makers and she has nearly 10 million downloads. Along with her album, on her six-month Red Tour, there was an estimated take of \$30 million. She brought in an \$10 million in gross due to sponsorships and merchandise sales on tour.



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# Country Music's 2014 Start is Rocking the Charts

By Julia Anderko

So far 2014 is a big year for music and there are a few country stars who really brought out some great hits this year.

Some big names with new singles and CD's that are getting great feedback are Eli Young Band with their new album *10,000 Towns* (March 3, 2014), Hunter Hayes with his new single "Invisible" (January 26th, 2014), Luke Bryan with his annual spring break album titled *Spring Break 6* (March 12th, 2014), and Miranda Lambert with her new album *Platinum* (June 3, 2014).



Hunter Hayes's song "Invisible" is a powerful song with a beautiful message. The song was debuted at the 2014 Grammy Awards.

In an interview with Entertainment Tonight Hayes said, "To me it's also just about being misunderstood. Just me being in high school[...] yes, I was a total geek, I was a total nerd, and you know, I still am, and



I'm proud of that. But it took me a while to realize that it's OK to be proud of that, right? Because in that time and period of my life, if you didn't fit in, what else was there? Fortunately for me I had incredible parents, I had an incredible support system, musicians around me, and that showed me that there was hope -- that there was maybe something else I could look forward to."

The single is part of his new album *Storyline* which is debuting in June.

According to [tasteofmusic.com](http://tasteofmusic.com) Eli Young Band's new album *10,000 Towns* is "a very even project, with no letdowns or skip-ahead tracks and the best moments spread throughout". The saddest of their break up songs, a ballad titled "What Does?" will pull on everyone's heartstrings.



The chorus lyrics "When you hold on through thick and through thin, and when that kind of love doesn't win / What does?"

In another interview the band said that the goal with this project was to have something hanging on their wall, they'd rather take a gold or platinum album over a Grammy.

With the CMA's (Country Music Awards) fast approaching the Eli Young Band is up for Vocal Group of the Year and to date have sold over 36,000 copies of their CD.



For the last 6 spring breaks (starting in 2009) Luke Bryan has been performing at spring break in Panama City Beach, FL. *Spring Break 6* has

sold over 74,296 copies and is an EP which means it has not enough songs to be considered a full album.

His album titled, *Like We Ain't Ever*, debuted No. 1 on Billboards Country Album chart and ranked No. 2 on Billboards Top 200 Album list.

Although Miranda Lambert's new album, *Platinum* does not get released till June 3, it is already one of the most anticipated records of the year.



On the album there is a duet with Carrie Underwood called "Something Bad" and a song titled "Bathroom Sink" which addresses the pressure that women face to look good.

The album is ultimately a reflection of Miranda Lambert learning more about herself. As one of the most popular female country music singers she has a lot to live up to and she certainly has delivered.

So, whether you are in the mood for sad ballads, strong female empowering songs, or beautiful heartstring pulling sad songs there is something for anyone and everyone on these four albums.



Tune into the ACM Awards Sunday April 6 on CBS at 8PM ET/PT

