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CASTLE RECORDING STUDIO ARTISTS MAKE A STRONG SHOWING AT THE CMT MUSIC AWARDS

FRANKLIN, Tenn. – The Castle Recording Studios is proud to announce that Brad Paisley, Keith Urban, Darius Rucker, Trace Adkins, Alan Jackson and The Carter Twins received accolades at the 2009 CMT Awards, held in Nashville, Tenn. on June 16th. The CMT Awards serve as the only fan-voted award show in country music.

Brad Paisley, one of the Castle's longest and most loyal clients, took home three awards last night, including Male Video of the Year, Collaborative Video of the Year and CMT Performance of the Year, and performed "Then" his single from his newest album *American Saturday Night*, recorded at the Castle and is slated to hit stores on June 30th. Keith Urban, along with Paisley, won Collaborative Video of the Year for his collaborative efforts in the "Start a Band" video. Urban's last album, *Defying Gravity*, was recorded at the Castle and marked the first time the Australian had an album reach number one on the Billboard 200. CMT Performance of the Year went to Alan Jackson, featuring Paisley, George Strait and Dierks Bentley. Jackson recently spent time at the Castle, electing to use the less traditional method of *analog tape* to record his newest songs, creating what will surely be an unconventional and memorable album.

Crossover artist Darius Rucker, formerly of Hootie and the Blowfish, performed "Alright" during the ceremony as peers and fans danced along to the upbeat track. Rucker spent time at the Castle last year, recording what would be the first number one hit by a solo African American artist since 1983. Trace Adkins performed his hit "You're Gonna Miss This" off the album, *American Man: Greatest Hits Volume II*, recorded at the Castle last year. One of the studio's newest clients, The Carter Twins, debuted at the CMT Awards performing their single, "Got A Heart Like Memphis". The Castle congratulates these artists and each of the other winners during Tuesday night's ceremony.

The Castle is one of the truly unique recording studios in the world in that it once served as a rest stop and hideout for one of the Roaring Twenties' most notorious figures, Al Capone. Built between 1929 and 1932, The Castle sits on 34 cedar-covered acres just 15 minutes south of Nashville. Since that time, the Castle has served as a bootlegging site, a gambling house, and even an upscale restaurant. But, to this day, rumors and legends of escape tunnels and "unofficial" graves still surround the stone edifice.

Converted to a studio in 1981 by the Nuyens Family, the Castle now serves as a world class recording facility. Their staff, two studios, extensive equipment list, full kitchen, and relaxed atmosphere are ready to assist in making your recording experience a successful one.