



**ACADEMY OF COUNTRY MUSIC® WELCOMES
SEAN PATRICK MCGRAW & HOLLY WILLIAMS
AS PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS**



Encino, CA (August 20, 2009) – Up-and-coming artists **Sean Patrick McGraw** and **Holly Williams** are the newest professional members of the Academy of Country Music. McGraw, currently on the America's Toughest Tour with Toby Keith, stopped by the ACM office this week to play a few songs and sign up for professional membership. The Academy also welcomed Williams to professional membership while she was in Los Angeles at The Mint promoting her album, “Here With Me.”

(Photo L-R: Sean Patrick McGraw, Michelle Goble, ACM Director of Membership & Events; Goble and Holly Williams)

About the Academy of Country Music

Founded in 1964, the **ACADEMY OF COUNTRY MUSIC** is an artist and industry-driven organization, providing the financial resources to ensure the on-going philanthropic work of **ACM Lifting Lives**, the charitable arm of the Academy which works to improve lives through music. The Academy is comprised of more than 3,800 professional members and more than 180,000 associate members and is headquartered in Encino, Calif. For more information, log onto www.acmliftinglives.org or www.acmcountry.com.

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