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PRESS RELEASE

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## **Ásgeir, Kodaline, Jacco Gardner, Nico & Vinz, Lukas Graham, GuGabriel, Caro Emerald and Maria Mena to perform in EBBA Awards show**

**On Wednesday January 15 Eurosonic Noorderslag kicks off with (among others) the EBBA Awards. The show, hosted by BBC host Jools Holland, will feature performances by 2014 EBBA Award winners Kodaline, Ásgeir, Jacco Gardner, GuGabriel, Nico & Vinz and Lukas Graham. Furthermore there are performances by Maria Mena and former EBBA winner Caro Emerald.**

During the award show the winner of the Public Choice Award will be announced. The EBBA Awards show will be streamed live on YouTube, Wednesday January 15 at 18:00 CET. The show will also be televised by several public broadcasters throughout Europe.

### **EBBA Award winners perform at Eurosonic Noorderslag**

Five of the ten EBBA Award winners, Kodaline (IE), Ásgeir (IS), GuGabriel (AT), Jacco Gardner (NL) and Nico & Vinz (NO) will also take the stage at Eurosonic Noorderslag. Which will take place from Wednesday 15 to Friday 18 January in Groningen.

### **The European Border Breakers Awards**

The EBBA Awards are handed out by the European Commission to ten European artists who have proven to be successful in crossing borders with their first international release in Europe. The 2014 EBBA Award winners are: Ásgeir, Disclosure, Nico & Vinz, GuGabriel, Icona Pop, Jacco Gardner, Kodaline, Lukas Graham, Woodkid and Zedd.

Check them out on the EBBA Awards website: [www.ebba-awards.eu](http://www.ebba-awards.eu).

The awards, now in their eleventh year, are funded by the EU Culture Programme and organised by Eurosonic Noorderslag, in partnership with the European Broadcasting Union. The EBBA Awards are supported by Buma Cultuur, SNN, Dutch Ministry of Education, Culture and Science, Province of Groningen, City of Groningen and Music Week.

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## **Note for editorial team/not for publication:**

### **EBBA Awards press programme**

On Wednesday, January 15, 2014 there are two opportunities for the media to conduct interviews and photo sessions with the following winners and representatives of the EBBA Awards:

- GuGabriel (AU, winner)
- Lukas Graham (DK, winner)
- Asgeir (IS, winner)
- Kodaline (IE, winner)
- Jacco Gardner (NL, winner)
- Nico & Vinz (NO, winner, previously known as Envy)
- Jools Holland (show host)
- Maria Mena (side act)
- Karel Barták (Head of the Culture Programme and Actions Unit of the European Commission) (only available in the afternoon)
- Peter Smidt (creative director Eurosonic Noorderslag) (only available in the afternoon)

1. Interview sessions, from 13:00 to 16:30. To sign up for this press programme contact our press team at [ebbapress@noorderslag.nl](mailto:ebbapress@noorderslag.nl). Please let us know who you want to interview and we will try to suit your wishes.

Directly after the interview sessions you are invited for the opening of the Marilyn Manson presentation in The Groninger Museum. Here we'll also serve sandwiches. Please make sure to be back in De Oosterpoort at 17:45 at the latest. The EBBA Award show will be recorded for TV and therefore must start on time.

2. EBBA Awards Artist and media meet & greet, from 19:30 to 21:00. Directly after the show the EBBA winners will be available in the Marathonzaal for a meet and greet with the media. You need to sign up for this by sending an e-mail to [ebbapress@noorderslag.nl](mailto:ebbapress@noorderslag.nl).

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