

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Malibu, CA, October 19, 2013 /24-7PressRelease/ -- 2013 Malibu Music Awards, **CHERIE CURRIE and LITA FORD REUNITE ON STAGE AFTER 37 YEARS.**

**Cherie Currie** broke down on stage at the 6th Annual Malibu Music Awards in tears of joy. "Besides the birth of my son, this is the best day of my life"

The Malibu Music Award's producers made history happen at their 6th annual awards show held at Pepperdine over the weekend. Reuniting bands isn't an easy feat. The moment Lita Ford emerged at sound check with her guitar to perform Cherry Bomb with **Cherie Currie** after 37 years, everyone knew history was about to be changed forever. Tears of joy, long lost friends hugging each other, each calling the other the true rock legend. The Smothers Theatre was filled with an excitement only read about in the annals of Rolling Stone magazine. "It was like the Beatles getting back together" said **Lori Capobianco**, the executive producer of the awards show. "I was up in the control booth overcome with emotion and I couldn't even speak into the walkie talkie without my voice trembling"

What happened at that awards show was simply a miracle. Are the two woman talking about touring together? Yes they are. They are now in the studio recording a Christmas song that will be released this holiday season. It was a miracle. A truly divine intervention. Maybe the presence of Christian Icon **Benny Hester** who received his lifetime achievement award in contemporary Christian music played a role, maybe **Dick Van Dyke** was responsible for their reunion. "When Lita showed up with her guitar in the trunk of the car we all knew something big was going to go down" the show producer said. "We weren't expecting Lita to play with Cherie, we had only asked her to present her the award. You can imagine the excitement when she ran to her car and grabbed her guitar and walked to the stage where Cherie was standing."...

Malibu Music Awards celebrated their 6<sup>th</sup> annual event with Host **Robert Hays** (*Homeward Bound, TV Series Starman, NBC Special Mr. Roberts, Initiation of Sarah with Liz Stack and 25 other feature films including Airplane*).

Honorees included: **Benny Hester** with the **Lifetime Achievement Award in Contemporary Christian Music** present by **Suzanne De Laurentiis**, **Cherie Currie** Of the **Runaways** with **Rock Legend Award** and **Bobby Sherman** received **The Humanitarian Award** presented by **Dick Van Dyke** for his work with the **Brigitte and Bobby Sherman Children's Foundation** and the **Bobby Sherman EMT Foundation, an LA Based Organization that supplies non-profit community events with qualified EMT's and Equipment.** This year's ceremony had a great line up starting with **Gretchen Bonaduce's** "The Fatal 80's" who not only preformed with her band but also Cherie Currie and was a frequent guest on stage to present such awards as Singer Songwriter of the Year to **DYLAN McDONALD** who when not on the road with his father Michael McDonald is out there with his own smooth style. Gretchen also Presented International Artist of the Year to **ELLENIE GALESTAIN** and Best New Artist to **CHEATING DAYLIGHT.** Also bringing out their best to the show where Country Artist of the Year **WHITAKER AND ME**, Alternative Album of the Year winner **MICHAEL VAN LONDON** and the

Big Bad Pony Band, Best Young Teen Artist **J ROSE**, Blues Artist of the Year **DAVE EDWARDS**, Female Pop Performer of the Year **LA WOOD**, and Electronica Dance Music of the Year **DIAMONDS N' SCRATCH**, Music Educator of the Year **CANTOR MARCELO GINDLIN**, ending the show with Malibu's own Heavy Metal Band of the Year **QUARANTINE**. The REVERB NATION OVERALL WINNER of the Night went to **MALOU TOLER** and **The Friends of Mine**.

Awards were also presented to Vocal Coach of the Year **PEGGI BLU** (AMERICAN IDOL), Jubilee Songwriting Award to **DINAH PATTON**, Jazz Icon Award to **SAL NISTICO** accepted by his wife **ANNA GRETA NISTICO** presented by **ELIZABETH STACK** (daughter of **Robert Stack**), Excellence in Sound Mixing to **TOMMY VICARI** by **GORDON GOODWIN** and rounding out the awards with the Founder Award to **TERENCE DAVIS**.

**Guests received gift bags provided by:** *Lisa Kline, The Sunset, Gladstone's, Café Habana, Cobian, Solar, Serendipity Cupcakes, Zenify, CoCo Libre, The Joint Studios, Reverb Nation, Whistles For Life, Bobby Sherman Foundation, Herbalife, Word, MSPR, Loma Organics, Nikki B Style, iKonic, Swat Fuel, Savory Saltine Seasoning, Hanser, Dukes Malibu, JesseJaM, among others...*