



(l-r) ASCAP's Nicole George-Middleton, ASCAP CEO Elizabeth Matthews, Songwriter of the Year Timberland, ASCAP President Paul Williams and ASCAP EVP Membership, John Titta



Smokie Norful performs his song "No Greater Love"



Lauryn Hill performs a medley of her hits



Jazmine Sullivan blows the R&S Awards away with her performance of "Forever Don't Last"



Nicole George-Middleton (l), Titta (2nd from r) and members of Migos

# THE 2015 ASCAP RHYTHM & SOUL MUSIC AWARDS

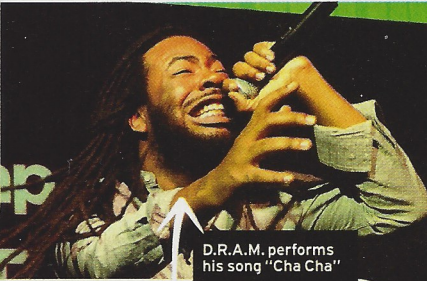
**T**HE 2015 ASCAP RHYTHM & SOUL Music Awards was one for the ages. The Awards brought out the crème de la crème of the urban music community. Names like Timbaland (Songwriter of the Year), Jeremih (co-writer of Top Rap Song "Show Me") and K. Michelle graced our stage, picking up their awards for writing the biggest R&B, hip-hop and gospel music of the past year. We heard performances from gospel vet Smokie Norful, chart-topping R&B singer Jazmine Sullivan, breakout rapper D.R.A.M. and hip-hop trio Migos, performing their ASCAP award winner "Handsome and Wealthy." Sony/ATV took home Publisher of the Year honors. But the undisputed highlight of the night was a rare performance from Ms. Lauryn Hill. The Fugees co-founder and eight-time Grammy winner sang a medley of her songs with a 15-piece backing band, after accepting our prestigious Golden Note Award. Visit [ASCAP.com](http://ASCAP.com) for a full list of winners. ●



K. Michelle (l) presented with her plaque for "Can't Raise a Man" by Nicole George-Middleton



Dancing in the aisles at the 2015 Rhythm & Soul Awards



D.R.A.M. performs his song "Cha Cha"



Danny Strick and the Sony/ATV creative team pick up their Publisher of the Year award from ASCAP CEO Beth Matthews (r)