



## **61ST ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS® TO AIR SUNDAY, FEB. 10, 2019, LIVE ON CBS FROM STAPLES CENTER RECORDING ACADEMY™ TO ANNOUNCE GRAMMY® NOMINATIONS ON DEC. 5, 2018**

**SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (JULY 17, 2018)** — The Recording Academy™ today announced key dates and deadlines for the 61st Annual GRAMMY Awards®. Music's Biggest Night® returns to Los Angeles' STAPLES Center on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019, and will broadcast live on the CBS Television Network at 8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT. Nominations for the 61st Annual GRAMMY Awards will be announced in all 84 categories on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018, and will honor the best in recordings released between Oct. 1, 2017, and Sept. 30, 2018.

"We are delighted to host the world's premier music event back in our hometown and look forward to celebrating the remarkable musical contributions made by songwriters, producers, engineers, mixers, and recording artists," said Neil Portnow, President/CEO of the Recording Academy. "As always, GRAMMY® season will kick off with a series of events that showcase various genres of music, educational programs, and our charitable initiatives. We look forward to working with our Los Angeles partners to produce some remarkable and unforgettable events."

Key dates and deadlines for the 61st GRAMMY Awards process and GRAMMY Week events are as follows:

**Monday, July 2, 2018**

Online Entry Process Opens

**Wednesday, Aug. 22, 2018**

Online Entry Process Closes

**Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2018**

First Round of Voting Opens

**Wednesday, Oct. 31, 2018**

First Round of Voting Closes

**Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018**

Nominees Announced for 61st Annual GRAMMY Awards

**Thursday, Dec. 13, 2018**

Final Round of Voting Opens

**Wednesday, Jan. 9, 2019**

Final Round of Voting Closes

**Wednesday, Feb. 6, 2019**

Producers & Engineers Wing® GRAMMY Week celebration



**Thursday, Feb. 7, 2019**

Music Educator Award™ Presentation  
GRAMMY In The Schools® Live!

**Friday, Feb. 8, 2019**

Entertainment Law Initiative® Event & Scholarship Presentation  
MusiCares® Person of the Year

**Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019**

GRAMMY Nominees Reception  
Clive Davis' and the Recording Academy's Pre-GRAMMY Gala

**Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019**

GRAMMY Awards Premiere Ceremony®  
61st Annual GRAMMY Awards  
GRAMMY Celebration®

Additional information regarding media and publicist credentials for the red carpet and media center can be found [here](#).

**ABOUT THE RECORDING ACADEMY**

The Recording Academy represents the voices of performers, songwriters, producers, engineers, and all music professionals. Dedicated to ensuring the recording arts remain a thriving part of our shared cultural heritage, the Academy honors music's history while investing in its future through the GRAMMY Museum®, advocates on behalf of music creators, supports music people in times of need through MusiCares, and celebrates artistic excellence through the GRAMMY Awards—music's only peer-recognized accolade and highest achievement. As the world's leading society of music professionals, we work year-round to foster a more inspiring world for creators.

For more information about the Academy, please visit [www.grammy.com](http://www.grammy.com). For breaking news and exclusive content, follow @RecordingAcad on [Twitter](#), "like" Recording Academy on [Facebook](#), and join the Recording Academy's social communities on [Instagram](#), [Tumblr](#), and [YouTube](#).

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