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. 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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