Thursday, March 7, 2019

**HOT FROM FOX…**

**T-PAIN TO HOST THE 2019 “IHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS,”**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 14, LIVE ON FOX**

Mobile Video App TikTok to Reveal Seven Award Winners in

the Seven Days Leading Up to the Sixth Annual Telecast and

Also Offer Fans Exclusive Red Carpet Live Stream Content

Two-Hour Live Event to Feature Performances by Alicia Keys, Ariana Grande, Halsey, Garth Brooks, John Legend and Kacey Musgraves, with More to be Announced Soon

iHeartMedia and Fox Broadcasting Company (FOX) announced today that Grammy Award®-winning singer and songwriter T-Pain will host the 2019 iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS. The live, two-hour event airs Thursday, March 14 (8:00-10:00 PM ET live/PT tape-delayed) on FOX from the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles. The sixth annual iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS will also air live on iHeartMedia radio stations nationwide and iHeartRadio, the all-in-one digital music, podcast, on demand and live-streaming radio service.

In addition to having two Grammy Awards® and 60 hit songs, T-Pain released his new album, “1UP,” from Cinematic Music Group, the same day he was named winner of FOX’s THE MASKED SINGER, the season’s #1 new series. “1UP” has hit #1 on the iTunes Hip Hop charts and includes "Getcha Roll On," featuring Tory Lanez, alongside new collaborations with Lil Wayne, Boosie Badazz, O.T Genasis, Russ and Cinematic label mate Flipp Dinero. T-Pain kicks off his tour for the new album March 16. Last year, T-Pain launched the new Fuse TV series, “T-Pain's School of Business,” and hosted several episodes of Red Bull's live stream show, “Remix Lab.”

“The blessings keep rolling in. I am grateful and honored to host this year’s iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS,” said T-Pain. “The past two weeks have been incredible, and the run continues. Thank you to everyone for all of the love and support. A special thanks to the iHeart team and FOX for having me.”

For the 2019 iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS, iHeartMedia has partnered with leading short-form mobile video app TikTok to present seven awards in the seven days leading up to the Thursday, March 14, telecast.

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Awards will be presented in the categories of Alternative Rock Album of the Year, Country Album of the Year, Rock Album of the Year, Dance Artist of the Year, Most Thumbed Up Artist of the Year, Dance Album of the Year and Cutest Musician’s Pet. Winning artists will be presented their awards and give acceptance speeches that will air exclusively on the TikTok app each morning at 8:00 AM ET, beginning today, Thursday, March 7.

In addition, TikTok will partner with iHeartRadio to capture exclusive red carpet content, available to fans @iHeart on TikTok. The iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS red carpet live stream will be available on iHeartRadio’s Facebook page and hosted by TikTok’s Nick Tangorra and iHeartRadio’s Elvis Duran, Danielle Monaro, Medha Gandhi and Maxwell, as well as iHeartRadio’s social correspondent, Ellie Lee.

The 2019 iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS will honor Alicia Keys with the iHeartRadio Innovator Award; Garth Brooks with the first-ever Artist of the Decade Award; Halsey with the iHeartRadio Fangirls Award presented by L'Oréal Paris; and Taylor Swift with the Tour of the Year Award. The two-hour event will also feature performances by Keys, Ariana Grande, Brooks, Halsey, John Legend, Kacey Musgraves and more, with a special appearance by Swift.

Nominees for the 2019 iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS were announced on January 9. Artists receiving multiple nominations include Cardi B, Drake, Ariana Grande, Shawn Mendes, Post Malone, Maroon 5 and Imagine Dragons. For a full list of categories visit [iHeartRadio.com/awards](https://news.iheart.com/featured/iheartradio-music-awards/).

In addition to being a compelling celebration of music and artists, the 2019 iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS will again celebrate the fans, giving iHeartRadio listeners the opportunity to decide winners in several new and established categories. Fan voting will determine this year’s Best Fan Army presented by Taco Bell®; Best Lyrics; Best Cover Song; Best Music Video; the Social Star Award; Best Solo Breakout; Cutest Musician’s Pet; and the first-ever Song That Left Us Shook and Favorite Tour Photographer awards.

Social voting began on January 9 and will close today, March 7. Fans can vote on Twitter using the appropriate category and nominee hashtags or by visiting [iHeartRadio.com/awards](https://news.iheart.com/featured/iheartradio-music-awards/).

Proud partners of the 2019 iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS include “Five Feet Apart” in theaters March 15, Norwegian Cruise Line, L'Oréal Paris, Taco Bell®, TikTok and Total Wireless, with more to be announced.

Executive producers for the iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS are Joel Gallen for Tenth Planet and John Sykes, Tom Poleman and Lee Rolontz for iHeartMedia.

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For breaking news and exclusive iHEARTRADIO MUSIC AWARDS content, visit [**iHeartRadio.com/awards**](https://news.iheart.com/featured/iheartradio-music-awards/) or follow #iHeartAwards on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

**Tickets are currently on sale to the general public at**[**axs.com**](http://axs.com/)**.**

**About iHeartMedia**

iHeartMedia is the number one audio company in the United States, reaching nine out of 10 Americans every month – and with its quarter of a billion monthly listeners, has a greater reach than any other media company in the U.S. The company’s leadership position in audio extends across multiple platforms, including 850 live broadcast stations; streaming music, radio and on demand via its iHeartRadio digital service available across more than 250 platforms and 2,000 devices including smart speakers, digital auto dashes, tablets, wearables, smartphones, virtual assistants, TVs and gaming consoles; through its influencers; social; branded iconic live music events; and podcasts as the #1 commercial podcast publisher globally. iHeartMedia also leads the audio industry in analytics and attribution technology for its marketing partners, using data from its massive consumer base. iHeartMedia is a division of iHeartMedia, Inc. (PINK: IHRTQ). Visit [iHeartMedia.com](https://iheartmedia.com/) for more company information.

**About Microsoft Theater**

Microsoft Theater hosts over 120 music, family, dance and comedy acts, award shows, televised productions, conventions and product launches with over 500,000 guests passing through the doors annually. The 7,100-seat theater offers guests mid-sized intimacy, with no seat further from the stage than 220 feet. Microsoft Theater offers 12,000 square feet of VIP & hospitality areas, 10 dressing rooms and state-of-the-art technology, making it a favorite indoor venue for performers and fans alike. Since opening in October 2007 with six sold-out shows, featuring the Eagles and Dixie Chicks, Microsoft Theater has hosted concerts starring the most popular artists, including Alan Jackson, Katy Perry, Charlie Wilson, Juan Gabriel, Aretha Franklin, Ed Sheeran, John Fogerty, Gabriel Iglesias, Kanye West, Marc Anthony, Sesame Street Live, John Legend, The Avett Brothers, Neil Young, Steely Dan, Trey Songz, Kelly Clarkson, Rush, Yanni, Nicki Minaj, Juanes, Cat Stevens, the *American Idol* finale shows, Michael Jackson’s *This is* It, *Straight Outta Compton*, *The Hunger Games* and *Twilight* movie premieres and many more. Microsoft Theater is home to the American Music Awards, ESPYs, Primetime Emmy Awards, BET Awards, People’s Choice Awards, Radio Disney Music Awards, 2010, 2011 & 2015 MTV Video Music Awards, 2014 & 2015 MTV Movie Awards and the 2013 Rock N’ Roll Hall of Fame.

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Microsoft Theater is centrally located within L.A. LIVE, a 4 million square foot / $3 billion downtown Los Angeles sports and entertainment district adjacent to STAPLES Center and the Los Angeles Convention Center featuring Microsoft Theater, a 7,100-seat live theatre, a 2,300 capacity live music venue, a 54-story, 1001-room convention “headquarters” destination (featuring *The Ritz-Carlton, Los Angeles and JW Marriott Los Angeles at L.A. LIVE  hotels* and 224 luxury condominiums – *The Ritz-Carlton Residences at L.A. LIVE* – all in a single tower) , the GRAMMY Museum, the 14-screen Regal Cinemas L.A. LIVE Stadium 14 theater, and broadcast facilities for ESPN along with entertainment, residential, restaurant and office space.

**About TikTok**

TikTok is the world's leading destination for short-form mobile videos. Our mission is to capture and present the world’s creativity, knowledge and moments that matter in everyday life. TikTok empowers everyone to be a creator directly from their smartphones, and is committed to building a community by encouraging users to share their passion and creative expression through their videos. TikTok has offices in Beijing, Berlin, Jakarta, London, Los Angeles, Moscow, Mumbai, Sao Paulo, Seoul, Shanghai, Singapore and Tokyo. In 2018, TikTok was one of the most downloaded apps in the world. TikTok is available worldwide for [iOS and Android](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__c212.net_c_link_-3Ft-3D0-26l-3Den-26o-3D2332894-2D1-26h-3D2385156218-26u-3Dhttps-253A-252F-252Fgo.onelink.me-252FbIdt-252Ff43bcefe-26a-3DiOS-2Band-2BAndroid&d=DwMFaQ&c=GC0NZZhaEw6GOQSjMHI2g15k_drElRoPmOYiK2k0eZ8&r=-gE4xHAOPlHj15CQQp53JQLMFCj9HvBBpri5Qo31yVI&m=4UXSCBaArpjNM2sWxMZ1ownX4ZfetEs-A3fLu7J5y-g&s=jvGYzqkt77XCUEsKD1Ue7qFgDgxWuae19bc-oMiH15U&e=). Visit [tiktok.com](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A__tiktok.com&d=DwMFaQ&c=GC0NZZhaEw6GOQSjMHI2g15k_drElRoPmOYiK2k0eZ8&r=-gE4xHAOPlHj15CQQp53JQLMFCj9HvBBpri5Qo31yVI&m=4UXSCBaArpjNM2sWxMZ1ownX4ZfetEs-A3fLu7J5y-g&s=U3YxHmmuhcfxo8wNLIxCNwcF9cfdOZ4k7AVNhNMIkSc&e=).

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