



## LITTLE BIG TOWN TO HOST 2019 MUSICARES® PERSON OF THE YEAR TRIBUTE HONORING DOLLY PARTON

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ANNUAL TRIBUTE BENEFITING MUSICARES® AND ITS VITAL SAFETY NET OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS FOR MUSIC PEOPLE TO BE HELD IN LOS ANGELES DURING GRAMMY® WEEK ON FRIDAY, FEB. 8, 2019

**WHO:** Multi-GRAMMY®-winning artists and current GRAMMY nominees **Karen Fairchild, Kimberly Schlapman, Phillip Sweet, and Jimi Westbrook** of **Little Big Town** have been announced as hosts of the **2019 MusiCares® Person of the Year** tribute concert honoring **Dolly Parton** on **Feb. 8**. GRAMMY winner **Yolanda Adams**, current GRAMMY nominee **Jon Batiste**, past GRAMMY nominee **Cam**, current GRAMMY nominee **Brandi Carlile**, GRAMMY winner **Jennifer Nettles**, and current GRAMMY nominee **Margo Price** will join the performance lineup at the star-studded annual fundraiser for **MusiCares**, the signature health and human services **charity** founded by the **Recording Academy™**. Previously announced performers include **Leon Bridges, Garth Brooks & Trisha Yearwood, Miley Cyrus, Lauren Daigle, Vince Gill, Don Henley, Norah Jones, Shawn Mendes, Kacey Musgraves, Willie Nelson, Katy Perry, Linda Perry, P!NK, Mark Ronson, Mavis Staples, and Chris Stapleton**. GRAMMY winner **Dolly Parton** will close the evening's performances. **Greg Phillinganes** will be the musical director.

Attendees will include **Neil Portnow**, President/CEO of MusiCares and the Recording Academy; **Michael McDonald**, Chair of MusiCares; **Alexandra Patsavas**, Chair Emeritus of MusiCares; and **John Branca**, Honorary Chair of MusiCares.

Past MusiCares Person of the Year honorees include: Tony Bennett, Bono, Natalie Cole, Phil Collins, David Crosby, Neil Diamond, Bob Dylan, Gloria Estefan, Fleetwood Mac, Aretha Franklin, Don Henley, Billy Joel, Elton John, Quincy Jones, Carole King, Paul McCartney, Luciano Pavarotti, Tom Petty, Bonnie Raitt, Lionel Richie, Paul Simon, Bruce Springsteen, Sting, Barbra Streisand, James Taylor, Brian Wilson, Stevie Wonder, and Neil Young.

**WHAT:** Dolly Parton is being recognized as the 2019 MusiCares Person of the Year in recognition of her significant creative accomplishments and longtime support of many charitable causes. **Proceeds from the annual Person of the Year tribute—now in its 29th year—provide essential support for MusiCares** ([www.musicares.org](http://www.musicares.org)), a charity founded by the Recording



**Academy that ensures music people have a place to turn in times of financial, medical, and personal need.**

The MusiCares Person of the Year tribute is one of the most prestigious events held during GRAMMY Week. The Person of the Year gala will begin with a reception and silent auction offering an exclusive and unparalleled selection of luxury items, VIP experiences, and one-of-a-kind celebrity memorabilia for bidding guests. The reception, along with a **silent auction sponsored by Delta Airlines—the official airline of Person of the Year**, will be followed by a **gala dinner sponsored by AEG**; a live auction; a tribute concert featuring renowned musicians and other artists; and the award presentation. For more information, please contact **MusiCares** at **310.392.3777** or [personoftheyear@musicares.org](mailto:personoftheyear@musicares.org).

GRAMMY Week culminates with the **61st Annual GRAMMY Awards®** at STAPLES Center in Los Angeles on Sunday, Feb. 10, 2019. The telecast will be broadcast live on the CBS Television Network at 8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT.

Over the course of the **last fiscal year**, **MusiCares provided more than \$6.5 million dollars to approximately 8,600 members of the music industry—the largest number of clients served and dollars distributed in a single year in the charity's history**. Established in 1989 by the Recording Academy, **MusiCares offers health and human services and programs** to members of the music community, including **emergency financial assistance** for basic living expenses such as rent, utilities, and car payments; medical expenses, including doctor, dentist and hospital bills; and treatment for HIV/AIDS, Parkinson's disease, Alzheimer's disease, hepatitis C, and other critical illnesses. MusiCares offers nationwide **educational workshops** covering a variety of subjects, including financial, legal, medical, and substance abuse issues, and programs in collaboration with health care professionals that provide services such as flu shots, hearing tests, and medical/dental screenings. MusiCares provides access to addiction recovery treatment and sober living resources for members of the music community. Staffed by qualified chemical dependency and intervention specialists, MusiCares offers **Safe Harbor Room®** support, sponsored in part by the Bohemian Foundation, to provide a network to those in recovery while they are participating in the production of televised music shows and other major music events. MusiCares holds **weekly addiction support groups** for people to discuss how to best cope with the issues surrounding the recovery process.

**WHEN: Friday, Feb. 8, 2019**  
4 p.m. Media Check-In (at Gilbert Lindsay Plaza)  
5 p.m. Red Carpet Arrivals, Cocktail Reception, and Silent Auction  
8 p.m. Gala Dinner  
9 p.m. Tribute Concert, Award Presentation, and Live Auction

**WHERE: Los Angeles Convention Center, West Hall**  
1201 S. Figueroa St.  
Los Angeles, CA 90015  
Parking: West Hall Lot, off L.A. Live Way; cost: \$20 (no valet available)



**MEDIA CREDENTIALS ARE CLOSED.**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION: ALL MEDIA MUST BE CREDENTIALLED for this event. Credentials will be picked up at media check-in on the day of the event. ALL MEDIA MUST BRING PHOTO I.D. All crews must be self-contained, ENG crews.**

### **ABOUT MUSICARES**

A friend and ally of the music community, MusiCares was established by the Recording Academy to safeguard the health and well-being of all music people. A four-star charity and safety net in times of need, MusiCares offers confidential preventative, recovery, and emergency programs to address financial, medical, and personal health issues. Through the generosity of our donors and volunteer professionals, our dedicated team works across the country to ensure the music community has the resources and support it needs.

For more information, visit [www.musicares.org](http://www.musicares.org), "like" MusiCares on [Facebook](#), and follow @MusiCares on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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