



# *The Recording Academy*<sup>®</sup>

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## **GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> NOMINEES KENDRICK LAMAR, LITTLE BIG TOWN, AND THE WEEKND TO PERFORM ON THE 58TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS<sup>®</sup>**

### **10-TIME GRAMMY WINNER ADELE RETURNS TO THE GRAMMY STAGE**

### **SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO HONOR GRAMMY WINNER AND MUSICARES<sup>®</sup> PERSON OF THE YEAR LIONEL RICHIE**

*Music's Biggest Night<sup>®</sup> — Hosted By LL COOL J — Airs Live On CBS, Feb. 15, 2016*

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Jan. 20, 2016) — The first round of performers for the **58th Annual GRAMMY Awards<sup>®</sup>** telecast has been announced and includes two-time GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> winner and current 11-time nominee **Kendrick Lamar**, GRAMMY winners and current two-time nominees **Little Big Town**, current seven-time nominee **The Weeknd**, and 10-time GRAMMY winner **Adele**. A special tribute to **2016 MusiCares<sup>®</sup> Person of the Year Lionel Richie** will highlight the GRAMMY winner's wide-ranging career. Entertainment icon and two-time GRAMMY winner **LL COOL J** is set to host *Music's Biggest Night<sup>®</sup>* for the fifth consecutive year. Taking place at **STAPLES Center** in **Los Angeles**, the 58th Annual GRAMMY Awards will be broadcast live in HDTV and 5.1 surround sound on the **CBS Television Network, Monday, Feb. 15, 2016, at 8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT**. Additional performers will be announced shortly.

This year's top GRAMMY nominee, Lamar is up for Album Of The Year (*To Pimp A Butterfly*), Song Of The Year ("Alright"), Best Rap Performance ("Alright"), Best Rap Song ("All Day" and "Alright"), Best Rap Album (*To Pimp A Butterfly*), Best Pop Duo/Group Performance (with Taylor Swift for "Bad Blood"), Best Music Video ("Alright" and "Bad Blood"), Best Dance Recording (with Flying Lotus for "Never Catch Me"), and Best Rap/Sung Collaboration ("These Walls").

Nominated for two awards, Little Big Town will take the GRAMMY stage for the first time. The band is nominated for Best Country Duo/Group Performance ("Girl Crush") and Best Country Album (*Pain Killer*).

This year's GRAMMY telecast will also mark The Weeknd's debut GRAMMY performance. One of this year's most nominated artists, The Weeknd received seven nominations: Record Of The Year ("Can't Feel My Face"), Album Of The Year (*Beauty Behind The Madness*), Best Pop Solo Performance ("Can't Feel My Face"), Best R&B Performance, Best R&B Song, Best Song Written For Visual Media ("Earned It [Fifty Shades of Grey]"), and Best Urban Contemporary Album (*Beauty Behind The Madness*).

Returning to the GRAMMY stage after four years, GRAMMY winner Adele will perform a track from her current blockbuster album, *25*.

The 58<sup>th</sup> Annual GRAMMY Awards are produced by AEG Ehrlich Ventures for The Recording Academy. Ken Ehrlich is executive producer, Louis J. Horvitz is director, and David Wild and Ehrlich are the writers.

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Established in 1957, The Recording Academy is an organization of musicians, songwriters, producers, engineers, and recording professionals dedicated to improving the cultural condition and quality of life for music and its makers. Internationally known for the GRAMMY Awards<sup>®</sup> — the preeminent peer-recognized award for musical excellence and the most credible brand in music — The Recording Academy is responsible for groundbreaking professional development, cultural enrichment, advocacy, education, and human services programs. The Academy continues to focus on its mission of recognizing musical excellence, advocating for the well-being of music makers and ensuring music remains an indelible part of our culture. For more information about The Academy, please visit [www.grammy.com](http://www.grammy.com).

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