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CHANCE THE RAPPER, LITTLE BIG TOWN, AND STURGILL SIMPSON TO PERFORM ON THE 59TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS[®]

WILLIAM BELL AND GARY CLARK JR. TAPPED FOR A SPECIAL COLLABORATIVE PERFORMANCE

Music's Biggest Night[®] — Hosted By James Corden — Airs Live On CBS, Feb. 12, 2017

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (Feb. 2, 2017) — *Music's Biggest Night[®]* just got bigger with newly added performances by two-time current GRAMMY[®] nominee **William Bell** and GRAMMY winner **Gary Clark Jr.**; current seven-time GRAMMY nominee **Chance The Rapper**; two-time GRAMMY winners **Little Big Town**; and current two-time GRAMMY nominee **Sturgill Simpson**. Previously announced performers include **Adele**, **Daft Punk**, **Alicia Keys**, **John Legend**, **Bruno Mars**, **Metallica**, **Maren Morris**, **Anderson .Paak**, **A Tribe Called Quest**, **Carrie Underwood**, **Keith Urban**, and **The Weeknd**. Award-winning television personality and performer **James Corden** is set to host the [59th Annual GRAMMY Awards[®]](#) for the first time. Taking place at **STAPLES Center** in **Los Angeles**, the 59th Annual GRAMMY Awards will be broadcast live in HDTV and 5.1 surround sound on the [CBS Television Network](#), **Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017**, at **8 p.m. ET/5 p.m. PT**. Additional performers will be announced shortly.

"It's important to The Recording Academy that the GRAMMY stage showcases artists across all disciplines and genres, and we take pride in our ability to elevate the best in music while, at the same time, introducing audiences to sounds and songs they'd previously not heard," said Neil Portnow, President/CEO of The Recording Academy. "As fans' access to music has increased, so has their appetite for variety expanded. This year's lineup already reflects that—and we're still not done!"

Bell is nominated for Best Traditional R&B Performance ("The Three Of Me") and Best Americana Album (*This Is Where I Live*).

Chance The Rapper is nominated for Best Rap Album (*Coloring Book*), Best New Artist, Best Rap/Sung Performance ("Ultralight Beam"), and Best Rap Performance ("No Problem"). He's also nominated three times in the Best Rap Song category ("Ultralight Beam," "No Problem," and "Famous").

Simpson is nominated for Album Of The Year and Best Country Album (*A Sailor's Guide To Earth*).

The 59th Annual GRAMMY Awards are produced by AEG Ehrlich Ventures for The Recording Academy. Ken Ehrlich is executive producer, Louis J. Horvitz is director, Ben Winston is a producer, and David Wild and Ehrlich are the writers.

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