



65TH ANNUAL GRAMMY AWARDS PREMIERE CEREMONY® RETURNS TO MICROSOFT THEATER ON SUN, FEB. 5 AT 12:30 P.M. PT

RANDY RAINBOW WILL CO-HOST; BABYFACE, DOMi & JD BECK, MYLES FROST, JIMMY JAM, ARTURO O'FARRILL, AND MALCOLM-JAMAL WARNER TO PRESENT; PERFORMANCES BY AROOJ AFTAB, MADISON CUNNINGHAM, SAMARA JOY, ANOUSHKA SHANKAR, AND CARLOS VIVES; OPENING NUMBER FEATURING BLIND BOYS OF ALABAMA AND LA MARISOUL FROM LA SANTA CECILIA

SANTA MONICA, CALIF. (JAN. 27, 2023) — The 65th Annual GRAMMY Awards Premiere Ceremony® will return to the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles, with current GRAMMY® nominee **Randy Rainbow** set to co-host. Kicking off the ceremony, the opening number will feature a performance by **Blind Boys of Alabama, La Marisoul** from La Santa Cecilia and additional surprise performers. Other artists scheduled to perform include current nominees **Arooj Aftab, Madison Cunningham, Samara Joy, Anoushka Shankar, and Carlos Vives**. Presenting the first GRAMMY Awards® of the day include current nominees **Babyface, DOMi & JD BECK, Myles Frost, Arturo O'Farrill, Malcolm-Jamal Warner**, and five-time GRAMMY winner and former Recording Academy® Board of Trustees Chair **Jimmy Jam**. Recording Academy Chair of the Board of Trustees **Tammy Hurt** will provide opening remarks. Additional talent and co-host to be announced in the coming days. The 65th GRAMMY Awards Premiere Ceremony will stream live on Sun, Feb. 5, 2023, at 3:30 p.m. ET/12:30 p.m. PT on the Recording Academy's [YouTube channel](#) and on [live.GRAMMY.com](#). This year, City National Bank has signed on as the first-ever presenting sponsor of the GRAMMY Awards Premiere Ceremony.

"We are so excited to kick off GRAMMY Sunday with the Premiere Ceremony ahead of Music's Biggest Night®," said Harvey Mason Jr., CEO of the Recording Academy. "Not only do we have an incredible lineup of presenters and performers, but this ceremony will also reveal the winners in the vast majority of our categories, celebrating this amazing year in music across many of our genre communities."

All Premiere Ceremony performers and hosts are 65th GRAMMY® Award nominees, as are most presenters. Aftab is nominated for Best Global Music Performance ("Udhero Na" with Anoushka Shankar); Babyface is nominated for Best Traditional R&B Performance ("Keeps On Fallin'" with Ella Mai); Blind Boys of Alabama are nominated for Best Americana Performance ("The Message" with Black Violin); Cunningham is nominated for Best American Roots Performance ("Life According To Raechel") and Best Folk Album (*Revealer*); DOMi & JD BECK are up for Best New Artist and Best Contemporary Instrumental Album (*NOT TiGHT*); Frost is nominated for Best Musical Theater Album (*MJ The Musical*); Joy is nominated for Best New Artist and Best Jazz Vocal Album (*Linger Awhile*); La Marisoul is up for Best Tropical Latin Album (*Quiero Verte Feliz* with La Santa Cecilia); O'Farrill is nominated for Best Latin Jazz Album (*Fandango At The Wall In New York* with The Afro Latin Jazz Orchestra Featuring The Conga Patria Son Jarocho Collective); Rainbow is up for Best Comedy Album (*A Little Brains, A Little Talent*); Shankar is up for Best Global Music Performance ("Udhero Na" with



Arooj Aftab) and Best Global Music Album (*Between Us... (Live)* with Metropole Orkest & Jules Buckley Featuring Manu Delago); Vives is nominated for Best Tropical Latin Album (*Cumbiana II*); and Warner is nominated for Best Spoken Word Poetry Album (*Hiding In Plain View*).

The 65th GRAMMY Awards Premiere Ceremony is produced by Branden Chapman, Ruby Marchand, Chantel Sausedo, and Rex Supa on behalf of the Recording Academy. Greg Fera is executive producer and Cheche Alara is music producer and musical director.

The 65th Annual GRAMMY Awards® will be broadcast live following the Premiere Ceremony on the CBS Television Network and stream live and on-demand on Paramount+ at 8-11:30 p.m. ET / 5-8:30 p.m. PT.

On GRAMMY Sunday, fans can access exclusive behind-the-scenes GRAMMYs® content, including performances, acceptance speeches, interviews from the GRAMMY Live red-carpet special, and more via the Recording Academy's digital experience on live.GRAMMY.com. Media assets for GRAMMY season and events can be found [here](#).

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