VH1 Salute to Hip Hop Pioneers

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VH1's Salute to Hip Hop Pioneers Slated will tape Thursday, October 2 at New York's Hammerstein Ballroom and will be premiering on VH1 on Tuesday, October 7. "VH1 Hip Hop Honors" will once again, in its 5th year, pay tribute to the hip hop notables who broke new ground and propelled the hip hop genre into its global popularity.

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through performances in collaboration with some of today's hottest talent, the music and influence of each of the hip hop honorees will be recognized. Generations of hip hop will bridge the gap for one exceptional night to set it off with the original style and flavor that sparked and inspired the evolution of the music.

"Our 'VH1 Hip Hop Honors' has grown into one of the most anticipated events in the hip hop community, drawing legends from back-in-the- day to the hottest stars of the genre today. This fifth edition will reflect the true power of hip hop while promising to deliver our best Hip Hop Honors show yet," said Tom Calderone, Executive Vice President and General Manager, VH1.

Last year's show was hosted by Tracy Morgan and honored hip hop luminaries A Tribe Called Quest, Missy Elliott, WHODINI and others and honored the films Wild Style and Teddy Riley and Andre Harrell for New Jack Swing.

"VH1 Hip Hop Honors" 2007 edition also featured performances by the honorees, along with appearances by Ciara, Eve, Pharrell Williams, The Game, T.I., Timbaland, Bow Wow, Common, T-Pain, Keyshia Cole and Nick Cannon as well as Chris Rock, Harvey Keitel, LL Cool J, and Kerry Washington, along with Salt -N- Pepa, Nelly Furtado, Ne-Yo, KRS-One The Teacha, Jermaine Dupri, Grandmaster Caz, Nelly, Mos Def, Kool Moe Dee, Grand Wizzard Theodore and The Chief Rocker Busy Bee.

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