

Latin GRAMMY Awards Nominations

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The 6th Annual Latin GRAMMY® Awards nominations were announced today at a celebrity-filled press conference attended by international media, as well as Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, at The Music Box at Fonda in Hollywood. In a year that recognized a host of music makers across numerous styles, the nominations feature a new breed of singer/songwriters taking their place alongside established artists. The 6th Annual Latin GRAMMY Awards, set for Nov. 3 at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles, will be broadcast live by the Univision Network from 8-11 p.m. ET/PT.

Spanish singer/songwriter Bebe leads the nominations with five; Marc Anthony, Obie Bermúdez, Juanes, and Aleks Syntek earned three apiece; Pepe Aguilar, Cachao, Beto Cuevas, Daddy Yankee, David Lee Garza, Juan Luis Guerra, Intocable, Ivan Lins, Luny Tunes, Molotov, JD Natasha, Fito Paez, Alejandro Sanz, and Carlos Vives were among those who earned two nods each. And a contingent of diverse music makers -- including Bacilos, Banda El Recodo de Cruz Lizarraga, Ana Bárbara, Elvis Crespo, Lila Downs, Jorge Drexler, Paquito D'Rivera, Andrea Echeverri, Alejandro Fernández, Vicente Fernández, Fey, Kevin Johansen, Kinky, Sebastian Krys, Los Amigos Invisibles, Los Tigres Del Norte, Gian Marco, Luis Miguel, Ozomatli, Laura Pausini, Omara Portuondo, A.B. Quintanilla, Reyli, Lupillo Rivera, Gustavo Santaolalla, Marco Antonio Solis, Soraya, Olga Tañón, Diego Torres and Bebo Valdés -- each earned nominations.

"This year's nominations are a true reflection of the diversity that currently exists in Latin music -- not only across genres but across generations as well," said Latin Recording Academy® President Gabriel Abaroa. "In our sixth year, the spotlight continues to shine not only on established performers but on emerging singers and songwriters and the creative professionals who usually remain behind the scenes. It's inspiring to see so many albums, songs, and music makers getting due recognition from their peers, as well as such a cross section of genres being recognized. There will be much to celebrate on November 3."

The five nominations earned by singer/songwriter Bebe include: Record Of The Year and Song Of The Year for "Malo," Album Of The Year and Best Female Pop Vocal Album for Pafuera Telarañas, and Best New Artist.

Earning three nods each are: Marc Anthony for Best Male Pop Vocal Album (Amar Sin Mentiras), Best Salsa Album (Valió La Pena), and Best Tropical Song ("Valió La Pena"); Obie Bermúdez for Album Of The Year and Best Male Pop Vocal Album for Todo El Año, and Song Of The Year for the album's title track; Juanes for Best Rock Solo Vocal Album (Mi Sangre),

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Best Rock Song ("Nada Valgo Sin Tu Amor"), and Best Music Video ("Volverte A Ver"); and Aleks Syntek for Record Of The Year and Song Of The Year for "Duele El Amor," and Best Music Video for "A Veces Fui."

Among those who earned two nominations are: Cachao (Best Traditional Tropical Album for ¡Ahora Sí! and Best Tropical Song for the title track); Beto Cuevas (Best Rock Song for "Bienvenido Al Anochecer" and Best Music Video for "Mírate" as a member of La Ley); Daddy Yankee (Record Of The Year for "Gasolina" and Best Urban Music Album for Barrio Fino); Juan Luis Guerra (Best Tropical Song for "Las Avispas" and Best Christian Album [Spanish Language] for Para Ti); Intocable (Album Of The Year and Best Norteño Album for Diez); Luny Tunes (Record Of The Year for "Gasolina" [as producers] and Best Urban Music Album for The Kings Of The Beats); Molotov (Best Rock Album By A Duo Or Group With Vocal for Con Todo Respeto and Best Music Video for "Amateur"); JD Natasha (Best New Artist and Best Rock Solo Vocal Album for Imperfecta-Imperfect); Alejandro Sanz (Record Of The Year and Song Of The Year for "Tu No Tienes Alma"); and Carlos Vives (Best Contemporary Tropical Album for El Rock De Mi Pueblo and Best Tropical Song for "Como Tú").

The 6th Annual Latin GRAMMY Awards will feature 43 categories and will be held on Nov. 3 in Los Angeles at the historic Shrine Auditorium. The three-hour show will be broadcast by the Univision Network from 8-11 p.m. ET/PT, supported on radio via Univision Radio (the official Spanish-language radio network of the Latin GRAMMY Awards), and highlighted on the Internet by Univision Online (the official online partner of the Latin GRAMMY Awards) at latiningrammy.univision.com. For more information, a complete list of nominees, and media credentialing instructions, please visit www.grammy.com .

The 6th Annual Latin GRAMMY Awards are produced by Univision Productions. Cisco Suarez is the executive producer; Maria Lopez Alvarez is the arrivals executive producer; Otto Padron is Vice President of Programming; Mario Ruiz is Vice President in Charge of Talent; and Macarena Moreno is senior producer. John Cossette is consulting producer.

The Latin Recording Academy is an international, membership-based organization comprised of Spanish- and Portuguese-speaking recording artists, musicians, songwriters, producers and other creative and technical recording professionals. The organization is dedicated to improving the quality of life and cultural condition for Latin music and its makers. In addition to producing the Latin GRAMMY Awards to honor excellence in the recorded arts and sciences, the Latin Recording Academy provides educational and outreach programs for the Latin music community. For more information about The Latin Recording Academy, please visit www.grammy.com .

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