Tyga, Robin Thicke, K. Michelle, Janelle Monae and Jidenna Are a Few Names Set to Join Chris Brown, Kendrick Lamar, Nicki Minaj, Big Sean and More as Performers During the "BET Awards" 2015

Janet Jackson to Receive Inaugural Ultimate Icon: Music Dance Visual Award with Special Dance Tribute
Performance by Ciara, Jason Derulo and Tinashe

Smokey Robinson to Be Honored with Lifetime Achievement Award and Tom Joyner to Be Recognized with Humanitarian Award

Hosted by Anthony Anderson and Tracee Ellis Ross, "BET Awards" 2015 Will Air Live on Sunday, June 28, 2015 on BET Networks from Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles, CA

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Today, BET Networks revealed its final additions to an already hot lineup for this year's 15th annual "BET Awards" 2015 airing Sunday, June 28, 2015. Performers **Tyga, Robin Thicke, K. Michelle, Janelle Monae** and **Jidenna** have been added to the roster. The news follows the announcement of **Janet Jackson** as recipient of the inaugural Ultimate Icon: Music Dance Visual award with **Ciara, Jason Derulo** and **Tinashe** slated to perform a special dance tribute to the iconic entertainer. In addition, **Smokey Robinson** has been announced to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award and **Tom Joyner** the Humanitarian Award at this year's ceremony. Additional names to be announced.

The full list of "BET Awards" 2015 performers includes Chris Brown, Nicki Minaj, Meek Mill, Kendrick Lamar, Smokey Robinson, Big Sean, Ne-Yo, Ciara, Jason Derulo, Tinashe, Tyga, Robin Thicke, K. Michelle, Janelle Monae, Jidenna, Jussie Smollett, Yazz, and Serayah from the hit show "Empire," Donnie McClurkin, Silento, Fetty Wap, Future, Omarion, E-40, Gary Clark Jr. Tori Kelly and Anthony Hamilton.

Laverne Cox, Zendaya, Michael B. Jordan, Kelly Rowland, Saana Lathan, Michael Ealy, DeSean Jackson, Barry Floyd, Jay Ellis, La La Anthony, Lauren London, Teyanna Taylor, Allen Iverson, Brandy, Brittany Daniel, Donald Glover, Wendy Raquel Robinson, Boris Kodjoe, Nicole Ari Parker and Charlie Wilson are all slated to appear as presenters at this year's ceremony.

A full list of the "BET Awards" 2015 nominations is now available at http://www.bet.com/awards.

The official "Live! Red! Ready! The BET Awards Pre-Show" is scheduled to air live Sunday, June 28 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (EST) featuring former 106 & Park talent **Rich Homie Quan**, **Natalie Ia Rose** ft. **Jeremih**, **Lil Mama**, **Travi\$ Scott** ft. **2 Chainz** and **Future**, and the evening's pre-show host **Terrence J**.

Stephen G. Hill, BET's President of Programming, Connie Orlando, BET's Senior Vice President of Music and Specials, Lynne Harris Taylor, BET's Vice President of Specials, will serve as Executive Producers for the "BET Awards" along with Jesse Collins, CEO of Jesse Collins Entertainment.

The "BET Awards" 2015 will air LIVE on Sunday, June 28, 2015 on BET and will premiere around the world on BET's international network on Tuesday, June 30 at 9:00pm BST / 10:00pm CAT and will air live on MTV Australia for the very first time (check local listings).

The "BET Awards" will take place along with the BET Experience at L.A. LIVE in Los Angeles from June 25-28, 2015.

BET.com/Awards is the official site for the "BET Awards" and will have all the latest news and updates about this year's show. All information about the BET Experience at L.A. LIVE presented by Coca-Cola® can be found at BETExperience.com. The BET Experience VIP Package offers the only way to purchase a "BET Awards" ticket, great seats to 3-nights of concerts at STAPLES Center, and exclusive access to events at the free Fan Fest at the Los Angeles Convention Center. For more information and to purchase tickets, go to BET.com/BETX. Follow the Experience on Twitter @betexperience.

ABOUT BET NETWORKS

BET Networks, a subsidiary of Viacom Inc. (NASDAQ: VIA, VIA.B), is the nation's leading provider of quality entertainment, music, news and public affairs television programming for the African-American audience. The primary BET channel reaches more than 90 million households and can be seen in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean, the United Kingdom and sub-Saharan Africa. BET is the dominant African-American consumer brand with a diverse group of business extensions: BET.com, a leading Internet destination for Black entertainment, music, culture, and news; CENTRIC, a 24-hour entertainment network targeting the 25- to 54-year-old African-American audience; BET Digital Networks - BET Gospel and BET Hip Hop, attractive

alternatives for cutting-edge entertainment tastes; BET Home Entertainment, a collection of BET-branded offerings for the home environment including DVDs and video-on-demand; BET Event Productions, a full-scale event management and production company with festivals and live events spanning the globe; BET Mobile, which provides ringtones, games and video content for wireless devices; and BET International, which operates BET in the United Kingdom and oversees the extension of BET network programming for global distribution.

ABOUT "BET AWARDS"

The "BET Awards" is one of the most watched award shows on cable television according to the Nielsen Company. The "BET Awards" franchise remains as the #1 program in cable TV history among African-Americans, and it is BET's #1 telecast every year. It recognizes the triumphs and successes of artists, entertainers, and athletes in a variety of categories.

ABOUT JESSE COLLINS ENTERTAINMENT

Jesse Collins Entertainment is a full service television and film production company founded by entertainment industry veteran Jesse Collins. For more than a decade, Collins, the company's CEO, has played an integral role in producing some of television's most memorable moments in music entertainment. Formerly Executive Producer/EVP of Cossette Productions, Collins has produced ground-breaking and award winning television programming including the BET Awards, the GRAMMY Awards, BET Honors, UNCF An Evening of Stars and the BET Hip Hop Awards. Collins is an executive producer of Real Husbands of Hollywood, (now going into its 4th hit season) alongside industry icons Stan Lathan and Ralph Farquhar; and has worked with superstar talent such as Will Smith, Chris Rock, Jay-Z, Rihanna, Kanye West, Kendrick Lamar, Drake, Prince, Mariah Carey and many more.

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BET Networks, an entertainment powerhouse, and AEG, one of the leading entertainment companies in the world and developer/ operator of L.A. LIVE, have teamed up once again to create the BET EXPERIENCE AT L.A. LIVE (BETX), June 25 - 28, 2015 presented by Coca-Cola®. This three-day festival will be filled with music and comedy concerts taking place at Club Nokia and STAPLES Center; "106 & PARK"; FREE BET Fan Fest at the Los Angeles Convention Center including seminars, celebrity basketball games, celebrity meet & greets; and other special appearances. The weekend will be capped off with the "BET Awards" on Sunday, June 28, 2015 at Microsoft Theater (formerly Nokia Theatre L.A. LIVE).

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