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Adele, Justin Bieber, John Boyega, Jennifer Lawrence, Taylor Swift, Chris Pratt, The Weeknd, Anna Kendrick, Jennifer Lopez, Chris Hemsworth, Selena Gomez, Daisy Ridley and Chris Evans among Superstar Nominees for Nickelodeon's 2016 Kids' Choice Awards

Voting Kicks Off Today, Tuesday, Feb. 2, with New Categories and New Nominees

Hosted by Blake Shelton, the Show Returns to the "Fabulous" Forum Live on Saturday, March 12, at 8 p.m. (ET/PT)

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SANTA MONICA, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Nickelodeon today announced the nominations for the *2016 Kids' Choice Awards*, the ultimate fan celebration of the best of everything kids love in pop culture. The nominees reflect the entertainment that audiences see, play, listen to and read in droves, from movies like *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*, *Jurassic World* and *Pitch Perfect 2*, to a host of television shows, music, gaming, books and more. Highlights from this year's list of nominees include Adele, Justin Bieber, Jennifer Lawrence, Taylor Swift, Ariana Grande, Selena Gomez, Chris Pratt, The Weeknd, John Boyega, One Direction, Sofia Vergara, Daisy Ridley, Chris Hemsworth, Nickelodeon's very own Kira Kosarin, Jack Griffo, Jace Norman and more. Hosted by Country music superstar and coach panelist on NBC's *The Voice* Blake Shelton, Nickelodeon's *2016 Kids' Choice Awards* returns to the "Fabulous" Forum in Inglewood, Calif., live on Saturday, March 12, at 8 p.m. (ET/PT).

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Said Shelton, "The nominees are out now and I can't wait to see who wins. We've got categories for everybody - TV, movies, video games, actors, singers, everything you can think of. It's all in there. Make sure you get out there and vote, and we'll see you at the show."

Beginning today, kids can cast their votes across 22 categories on Nickelodeon's digital platforms including Nick.com and the Nick app on iPad, iPhone, Kindle, and select Android devices. Users will be able to vote on Nickelodeon's Twitter feed using #KCA and the hashtag of their favorite nominee. Fans also can join in on the slime-fest by going to Nick.com/kca16, the official destination for everything *Kids' Choice Awards*, for hilarious videos, quizzes, photo galleries and get the latest KCA news on this year's show and nominees.

Stiff competition ignites the television categories as last year's favorite *Modern Family* finds itself neck-and-neck with *The Big Bang Theory*, garnering four nominations each. *Modern Family* grabbed its nods for "Favorite Family TV Show," Rico Rodriguez for "Favorite Male TV Star - Family Show" and show favorite's Sofia Vergara and Sarah Hyland battling it out for "Favorite Female TV Star - Family Show." *The Big Bang Theory* is in contention with nominations for "Favorite Family TV Show," Kaley Cuoco for "Favorite Female TV Star - Family Show" and Jim Parsons and Johnny Galecki rivaling the "Favorite Male TV Star - Family Show" title. Meanwhile, the new "Favorite Cooking Show" category heats up, pitting the popular *MasterChef Junior* and *Chopped Junior* against *Hell's Kitchen*, *Cake Boss*, *Cake Wars* and *Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives*.

The music categories, which span an eclectic mix of genres, finds vocal powerhouse Adele against Justin Bieber and Ed Sheeran for "Favorite Song of the Year," and new kids on the block, Shawn Mendes and Alessia Cara competing for "Favorite New Artist." Taylor Swift, Justin Bieber and Selena Gomez are all tied with three nominations each, while artists Drake, The Weeknd and Kendrick Lamar follow closely behind with two.

In the movie categories, Jennifer Lawrence will face off against Anna Kendrick, Rebel Wilson and Scarlett Johansson for "Favorite Movie Actress," while *Jurassic World*, *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay Part 2* and *Star Wars: The Force Awakens* compete for the title of "Favorite Movie."

The nominees and categories for *Nickelodeon's 2016 Kids' Choice Awards* are (*new categories):

TELEVISION:

Favorite TV Show

Austin & Ally
Girl Meets World
Henry Danger
Jessie
Lab Rats: Bionic Island
The Thundermans

Favorite Family TV Show

Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.
Modern Family
Once Upon a Time
The Big Bang Theory
The Flash
The Muppets

Favorite Male TV Star - Kids' Show

Aidan Gallagher - Nicky Harper, *Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*
Casey Simpson - Ricky Harper, *Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*
Jace Norman - Henry Hart, *Henry Danger*
Jack Griffo - Max Thunderman, *The Thundermans*
Ross Lynch - Austin Moon, *Austin & Ally*
Tyrel Jackson Williams - Leo Dooley, *Lab Rats: Bionic Island*

Favorite Male TV Star - Family Show

Anthony Anderson - Andre 'Dre' Johnson, *Black-ish*
Ben McKenzie - James Gordon, *Gotham*
Grant Gustin - Barry Allen, *The Flash*
Jim Parsons - Sheldon Cooper, *The Big Bang Theory*
Johnny Galecki - Leonard Hofstadter, *The Big Bang Theory*
Rico Rodriguez - Manny Delgado, *Modern Family*

Favorite Female TV Star - Kids' Show

Debby Ryan - Jessie Prescott, *Jessie*
Dove Cameron - Liv Rooney, *Liv and Maddie*
Kira Kosarin - Phoebe Thunderman, *The Thundermans*
Laura Marano - Ally Dawson, *Austin & Ally*
Lizzy Greene - Dawn Harper, *Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*
Zendaya - K.C. Cooper, *K.C. Undercover*

Favorite Female TV Star - Family Show

Chloe Bennet - Daisy "Skye" Johnson, *Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*
Jennifer Morrison - Emma Swan, *Once Upon a Time*
Kaley Cuoco - Penny Hofstadter, *The Big Bang Theory*
Ming-Na Wen - Melinda May, *Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*
Sarah Hyland - Haley Dunphy, *Modern Family*
Sofia Vergara - Gloria Delgado-Pritchett, *Modern Family*

Favorite Talent Competition Show

America's Got Talent
American Idol
Dance Moms
Dancing with the Stars
The Voice

Favorite Cooking Show*

Cake Boss
Cake Wars
Chopped Junior
Diners, Drive-Ins and Dives
Hell's Kitchen
MasterChef Junior

Favorite Cartoon

ALVINNN!!! and The Chipmunks
Gravity Falls
Ninjago
Phineas & Ferb
SpongeBob SquarePants
Steven Universe
Teen Titans Go!
The Amazing World of Gumball

FILM:

Favorite Movie

Ant-Man
Avengers: Age of Ultron
Cinderella
Daddy's Home
Jurassic World
Pitch Perfect 2
Star Wars: The Force Awakens
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2

Favorite Movie Actor

Chris Evans - Steve Rogers/Captain America, *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
Chris Hemsworth - Thor, *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
Chris Pratt - Owen, *Jurassic World*
John Boyega - Finn, *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*
Robert Downey Jr. - Tony Stark/Iron Man, *Avengers: Age of Ultron*
Will Ferrell - Brad Whitaker, *Daddy's Home*

Favorite Movie Actress

Anna Kendrick - Beca, *Pitch Perfect 2*
Daisy Ridley - Rey, *Star Wars: The Force Awakens*
Jennifer Lawrence - Katniss Everdeen, *The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2*
Lily James - Cinderella, *Cinderella*
Rebel Wilson - Fat Amy, *Pitch Perfect 2*
Scarlett Johansson - Natasha Romanoff/Black Widow, *Avengers: Age of Ultron*

Favorite Animated Movie

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip
Home
Hotel Transylvania 2
Inside Out
Minions
The Peanuts Movie

Favorite Voice From an Animated Movie

Amy Poehler - Joy, *Inside Out*
Jennifer Lopez - Lucy, *Home*
Jim Parsons - Oh, *Home*
Justin Long - Alvin, *Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip*
Sandra Bullock - Scarlet Overkill, *Minions*
Selena Gomez- Mavis, *Hotel Transylvania 2*

MUSIC:

Favorite Music Group

Fall Out Boy
Fifth Harmony
Imagine Dragons
Maroon 5
One Direction
Pentatonix

Favorite Male Singer

Blake Shelton
Drake
Ed Sheeran
Justin Bieber
Nick Jonas
The Weeknd

Favorite Female Singer

Adele
Ariana Grande
Meghan Trainor
Nicki Minaj
Selena Gomez
Taylor Swift

Favorite Song Of The Year

Bad Blood (feat. Kendrick Lamar) - Taylor Swift
Can't Feel My Face - The Weeknd
Hello - Adele
Hotline Bling - Drake
Thinking Out Loud - Ed Sheeran
What Do You Mean? - Justin Bieber

Favorite New Artist

Alessia Cara
DNCE
OMI
Shawn Mendes
Silento
WALK THE MOON

Favorite Collaboration*

Bad Blood - Taylor Swift feat. Kendrick Lamar
Downtown - Macklemore & Ryan Lewis feat. Eric Nally, Melle Mel, Kool Moe Dee and Grandmaster Caz
Good For You - Selena Gomez feat. A\$AP Rocky
Like I'm Gonna Lose You - Meghan Trainor feat. John Legend
See You Again - Wiz Khalifa feat. Charlie Puth
Where Are Ü Now - Skrillex, Justin Bieber & Diplo

OTHER CATEGORIES:

Favorite Book

Diary of a Minecraft Zombie
Diary of a Wimpy Kid series
Harry Potter series
Star Wars: Absolutely Everything You Need To Know
The Hunger Games series
The Maze Runner series

Favorite Video Game

Disney Infinity 3.0
Just Dance 2016
Minecraft: Story Mode
Skylander SuperChargers
SpongeBob HeroPants
Super Mario Maker

Nickelodeon's 2016 Kids' Choice Awards will roll out in international markets within hours of airing live in the United States, Canada and Australia, giving kids around the globe the opportunity to tune into their local Nickelodeon channel to enjoy the show.

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Nickelodeon's 2016 Kids' Choice Awards is produced by Nickelodeon Productions. Elizabeth Kelly, Michael Dempsey, Shelly Sumpter Gillyard and Jay Schmalholz are executive producers.

Media outlets can access photos and video for *Nickelodeon's 2016 Kids' Choice Awards* by logging onto NickKCApress.com.

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