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Drake Leads the BET "Hip Hop Awards" 2016 Nominations for a Third Year in a Row with 14 Nominations Including 'Album of the Year', 'Track of the Year' and 'MVP of the Year'

Future Scores 10 Nominations Including 'Album of the Year,' 'Best Mixtape,' and 'Made-You-Look Award (Best Hip-Hop Style);' Followed Closely by DJ Khaled with 9 Nominations and Kanye West with 8 Nods

The [BET "Hip Hop Awards" 2016 Will Be Taping on Saturday, September 17, 2016 at the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre in Atlanta, GA and Premiering October 4, 2016 at 8pm ET/PT](#)

Big Host Announcement Coming Soon

#HIPHOPAWARDS

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- For a third year in a row, **Drake** dominates the [BET "Hip Hop Awards" 2016](#) with 14 impressive nominations for 'Best Live Performer,' 'Lyricist of the Year,' 'MVP of the Year,' 'Album of the Year,' 'Hustler of the Year,' 'Made-You-Look Award (Best Hip-Hop Style)' and as a featured artist in the 'Sweet 16: Best Featured Verse,' 'Best Hip-Hop Video,' 'Track of the Year,' 'People's Champ Award,' and 3 nods for 'Best Collabo, Duo or Group.' The [BET "Hip Hop Awards" 2016](#) will be taped on **Saturday, September 17, 2016** at its new venue, Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre in Atlanta, GA, and will premiere on **Tuesday, October 4, 2016 at 8:00 p.m. ET.**

Future scores the second-most nominations with 10 nods, including 'Best Live Performer,' 'MVP of the Year,' 'Album of the Year,' 'Hustler of the Year,' 'Made-You-Look Award (Best Hip-Hop Style),' 'Best Mixtape,' and 'Best Collabo, Duo, or Group.' **DJ Khaled** follows closely with 9 nominations, including 'DJ of the Year,' 'Best Hip-Hop Video,' 'MVP of the Year,' 'Track of the Year,' 'Album of the Year,' 'Hustler of the Year,' 'People's Champ Award,' and two nods for 'Best Collabo, Duo or Group;' and **Kanye West** grabs 8 nods for 'Album of the Year,' 'Best Hip-Hop Video,' 'Best Live Performer,' 'Lyricist of the Year,' 'Video Director of the Year,' 'MVP of the Year,' 'Hustler of the Year,' and 'Made-You-Look Award (Best Hip-Hop Style)' at the [BET "Hip Hop Awards" 2016](#). Additionally, 'Best New Hip-Hop Artist' Award includes newcomers **Chance the Rapper**, **Desiigner**, **Bryson Tiller**, **Tory Lanez** and **Anderson .Paak**.

Jesse Collins, CEO of Jesse Collins Entertainment will serve as Executive Producer of the [BET Hip Hop Awards](#) along with Stephen G. Hill, BET's President of Programming, Connie Orlando, BET's Senior Vice President of Music and Specials and Lynne Harris Taylor, BET's Vice President of Specials.

See below for the complete list of [BET "HIP HOP AWARDS" '16 Official Nominees:](#)

Best Hip-Hop Video

2 Chainz - Watch Out
Desiigner - Panda
DJ Khaled F/ Jay Z & Future - I Got the Keys
Drake - Hotline Bling
Fat Joe & Remy Ma F/ French Montana & Infared - All the Way Up
Kanye West F/ Rihanna - Famous

Best Collabo, Duo or Group

DJ Khaled F/ Drake - For Free
DJ Khaled F/ Jay Z & Future - I Got the Keys
Drake & Future - Jumpman
Drake F/ Wizkid & Kyla - One Dance

Fat Joe & Remy Ma F/ French Montana & Infared - All the Way Up

Best Live Performer

Drake
Future
J. Cole
Kanye West
Kendrick Lamar

Lyricist of the Year

Chance the Rapper
Drake
J. Cole
Kanye West
Kendrick Lamar

Video Director of the Year

Benny Boom
Colin Tilley
Director X
Hype Williams
Kanye West

DJ of the Year

DJ Drama
DJ Envy
DJ Esco
DJ Khaled
DJ Mustard

Producer of the Year

DJ Mustard
Dr. Dre
Metro Boomin
Mike WiLL Made-It
Pharrell Williams

MVP of the Year

DJ Khaled
Drake
Future
Kanye West
Kendrick Lamar

Track of the Year

All the Way Up - Produced By Cool & Dre and Edsclusive (Fat Joe & Remy Ma F/ French Montana & Infared)
Controlla - Produced By BOI-1DA (Drake)
Hotline Bling - Produced By Nineteen85 (Drake)
I Got the Keys - Produced By Southside (DJ Khaled F/ Jay Z & Future)
Panda - Produced By Menace (Desiigner)

Album of the Year

DJ Khaled - I Changed A Lot
Dr. Dre - Compton
Drake - Views
Fetty Wap - Fetty Wap
Future -DS2
Kanye West - The Life of Pablo

Best New Hip-Hop Artist

Anderson .Paak
Bryson Tiller
Chance the Rapper

Designer
Tory Lanez

Hustler of the Year

DJ Khaled
Drake
Future
Jay Z
Kanye West

Made-You-Look Award (Best Hip-Hop Style)

A\$AP Rocky
Drake
Future
Kanye West
Nicki Minaj

Best Hip Hop Online Site/App

Allhiphop.Com
Complex.Com
Hotnewhiphop.Com
Worldstarhiphop.Com
XXLMag.Com

Best Mixtape

Chance the Rapper - Coloring Book
French Montana - Wave Gods (Hosted By Max B)
Future - Purple Reign
Lil Uzi Vert - Lil Uzi Vert VS. The World
Young Thug - Slime Season 3

Sweet 16: Best Featured Verse

2 Chainz - No Problem (Chance the Rapper F/ Lil Wayne & 2 Chainz)
Drake - Work (Rihanna F/ Drake)
Kendrick Lamar - Freedom (Beyoncé F/ Kendrick Lamar)
Kodak Black - Lockjaw (French Montana F/ Kodak Black)
Nicki Minaj - Down In the DM - Remix (Yo Gotti F/ Nicki Minaj)

Impact Track

J. Cole - Love Yourz
Jay Z - Spiritual
Jidenna - Long Live The Chief
Raury F/ Key - Trap Tears
Sir The Baptist F/ ChuchPeople - Raise Hell

People's Champ Award

Designer - Panda
DJ Khaled F/ Drake - For Free
Fat Joe & Remy Ma F/ French Montana & Infared - All the Way Up
O.T. Genasis F/ Young Dolph - Cut It
Travis Scott - Antidote
Young Thug - Best Friend

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***Note: BET "Hip Hop Awards"** is a private event and tickets are not available for purchase to the public. Talent tickets are reserved for **BET "Hip Hop Awards"** show talent and nominees.

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