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## Nickelodeon Announces 2017 Kids' Choice Awards Nominations

***Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice, Captain America: Civil War, Kevin Hart and Justin Timberlake Earn Most Nods across 28 Categories***

**Voting Begins Today, Thursday, Feb. 2, with WWE Superstar John Cena Hosting Show, Live on Saturday, March 11, at 8 p.m. (ET/PT)**

BURBANK, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Nickelodeon today announced the nominees for the *2017 Kids' Choice Awards*, the only live event where kids' votes count and the biggest stars of the day line up to get slimed. Celebrating kids' favorites from across the worlds of film, television, music and pop culture, this year's all-star list of nominations include: Ben Affleck, Henry Cavill, Daya, Chris Evans, Idris Elba, Megan Fox, Lukas Graham, Kevin Hart, Scarlett Johansson, Dwayne Johnson, Felicity Jones, Leslie Jones, Anna Kendrick, Bruno Mars, Melissa McCarthy, JoJo Siwa, The Chainsmokers, Justin Timberlake, Twenty One Pilots and more.

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Highly regarded as an unpredictable, celebrity-filled mess-fest, *Kids' Choice Awards* this year features nine new categories guaranteed to be unique to this awards season, like "Favorite Frenemies," "Most Wanted Pet" and "#Squad." Hosted by WWE Superstar John Cena, *Nickelodeon's 2017 Kids' Choice Awards* airs live on Saturday, March 11, at 8 p.m. (ET/PT), from USC's Galen Center in Los Angeles.

Beginning today, kids can cast their votes across 28 categories with a brand-new voting experience on Nickelodeon's digital platforms including [Nick.com](http://Nick.com) and the Nick app on iPad, iPhone, Kindle, and Android devices. Users will also be able to vote through Twitter and Facebook using special KCA hashtags and the hashtag of their favorite nominee. Fans also can join in on the slime-fest by going to [Nick.com/kca17](http://Nick.com/kca17), the official destination for everything *Kids' Choice Awards*, for hilarious videos, the KCA Creator game, quizzes and pictures, and to get the latest KCA news on this year's show, nominees and attendees.

In television, kids will have the opportunity to vote for first-time nominees, *Black-ish*, *Fuller House*, *Supergirl*, *Paradise Run* and *The Loud House*, along with their choice between *America's Got Talent*, *Shark Tank*, *The Voice*, *America's Funniest Home Videos* and *American Ninja Warrior* for "Favorite Reality Show." Nickelodeon's Jace Norman was nominated for "Favorite Male TV Star"

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in *Henry Danger* and Breanna Yde is up for "Favorite Female TV Star" in *School of Rock*. Additionally, in the "Favorite Cartoon" category, kids will choose between *ALVINNN!!!* and *The Chipmunks*, *SpongeBob SquarePants*, *Teen Titans Go!*, *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*, *The Amazing World of Gumball* and *The Loud House*.

Stars will vie for the blimp across ten music categories, with Bruno Mars, Justin Timberlake and Twenty One Pilots topping

the list with four nominations each. After ruling the Billboard and iTunes charts, The Chainsmokers make their *Kids' Choice Awards* nominee debut with two nods for "Favorite Music Group" and "Favorite New Artist." Adele, Beyoncé, Meghan Trainor and Fifth Harmony also garnered two nominations each, while internet sensations Carson Lueders, Jacob Sartorius, Johnny Orlando, JoJo Siwa, Matty B and Tiffany Alvord battle it out in the new category of "Favorite Viral Music Artist." For the first time ever, the KCAs will also feature a new music category for "Favorite Global Music Star," which features six artists from around the world battling it out for the honor of a blimp.

Superheroes, trolls and turtles dominated the movie categories with *Captain America: Civil War*, conjuring up top affirmations with eight nominations. *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice* followed closely behind with seven, while *Ghostbusters* and *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story* garnered five each. Stars receiving first time nods in the film category include, Justin Timberlake for "Favorite Voice from an Animated Movie" in *Trolls* (bringing his total nominations to seven), Kristen Wiig for "Favorite Movie Actress" in *Ghostbusters*, and Felicity Jones for "Favorite Butt-Kicker" in *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*. Kevin Hart makes a double appearance in the new category "BFF's (Best Friends Forever)," nominated for *Central Intelligence* and *Ride Along 2* -- bringing his total 2017 KCA nominations to six.

While this will be Cena's first time hosting the global show, he is beloved worldwide by the Nickelodeon family, having previously hosted Australia's Kids' Choice Awards in 2008, as well as undergoing a sliming at the first UK Kids' Choice Awards in 2007.

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The nominees and categories for *Nickelodeon's 2017 Kids' Choice Awards* are (\*new categories):

#### **TELEVISION:**

##### Favorite TV Show - Kids' Show

*Game Shakers*

*Girl Meets World*

*Henry Danger*

*Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*

*The Thundermans*

##### Favorite TV Show - Family Show

*Big Bang Theory*

*Black-ish*

*Fuller House*

*Marvel's Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.*

*Supergirl*

*The Flash*

##### Favorite Reality Show

*America's Funniest Home Videos*

*America's Got Talent*

*American Ninja Warrior*

*Paradise Run*

*Shark Tank*

*The Voice*

Favorite Cartoon

*ALVINNN!!! and The Chipmunks*

*SpongeBob SquarePants*

*Teen Titans Go!*

*Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*

*The Amazing World of Gumball*

*The Loud House*

Favorite Male TV Star

Benjamin Flores Jr. (Triple G, *Game Shakers*)

Aidan Gallagher (Nicky, *Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*)

Jack Griffo (Max, *The Thundermans*)

Jace Norman (Henry, *Henry Danger*)

Casey Simpson (Ricky, *Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*)

Tyrel Jackson Williams (Leo, *Lab Rats*)

Favorite Female TV Star

Rowan Blanchard (Riley, *Girl Meets World*)

Dove Cameron (Liv and Maddie, *Liv and Maddie*)

Lizzy Greene (Dawn, *Nicky, Ricky, Dicky & Dawn*)

Kira Kosarin (Phoebe, *The Thundermans*)

Breanna Yde (Tomika, *School of Rock*)

Zendaya (K.C., *K.C. Undercover*)

**FILM:**

Favorite Movie

*Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*

*Captain America: Civil War*

*Ghostbusters*

*Pete's Dragon*

*Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*

*Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows*

Favorite Movie Actor

Ben Affleck (Batman, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*)

Will Arnett (Vernon, *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows*)

Henry Cavill (Superman, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*)

Robert Downey Jr. (Iron Man, *Captain America: Civil War*)

Chris Evans (Captain America, *Captain America: Civil War*)

Chris Hemsworth (Kevin, *Ghostbusters*)

Favorite Movie Actress

Amy Adams (Lois, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*)

Megan Fox (April, *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows*)

Scarlett Johansson (Black Widow, *Captain America: Civil War*)

Felicity Jones (Jyn, *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*)

Melissa McCarthy (Abby, *Ghostbusters*)

Kristen Wiig (Erin, *Ghostbusters*)

Favorite Animated Movie

*Finding Dory*

*Moana*

*Sing*

*The Secret Life of Pets*

*Trolls*

*Zootopia*

Favorite Voice From An Animated Movie

Ellen DeGeneres (Dory, *Finding Dory*)

Kevin Hart (Snowball, *The Secret Life of Pets*)

Dwayne Johnson (Maui, *Moana*)

Anna Kendrick (Poppy, *Trolls*)

Justin Timberlake (Branch, *Trolls*)

Reese Witherspoon (Rosita, *Sing*)

#### Favorite Villain

Helena Bonham Carter (The Red Queen, *Alice Through the Looking Glass*)

Idris Elba (Krall, *Star Trek Beyond*)

Will Ferrell (Mugatu, *Zoolander 2*)

Kevin Hart (Snowball, *The Secret Life of Pets*) \*Note: animated

Charlize Theron (Ravenna, *The Huntsman: Winter's War*)

Spencer Wilding (Darth Vader, *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*)

#### Favorite Butt-Kicker

Ben Affleck (Batman, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*)

Henry Cavill (Superman, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*)

Chris Evans (Captain America, *Captain America: Civil War*)

Chris Hemsworth (The Huntsman, *The Huntsman: Winter's War*)

Scarlett Johansson (Black Widow, *Captain America: Civil War*)

Felicity Jones (Jyn, *Rogue One: A Star Wars Story*)

Jennifer Lawrence (Mystique, *X-Men: Apocalypse*)

Zoe Saldana (Lieutenant Uhura, *Star Trek Beyond*)

#### BFF's (Best Friends Forever)\*

Ruby Barnhill & Mark Rylance (Sophie/BFG, *The BFG*)

Kevin Hart & Dwayne Johnson (Bob/Calvin, *Central Intelligence*)

Kevin Hart & Ice Cube (Ben/James, *Ride Along 2*)

Chris Pine & Zachary Quinto (Captain Kirk/Spock, *Star Trek Beyond*)

Neel Sethi & Bill Murray (Mowgli/ Baloo, *Jungle Book*)

Ben Stiller & Owen Wilson (Derek/Hansel, *Zoolander 2*)

#### Favorite Frenemies\*

Anna Kendrick & Justin Timberlake (Poppy/Branch, *Trolls*)

Ben Affleck & Henry Cavill (Batman/Superman, *Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice*)

Chris Evans & Robert Downey Jr. (Captain America/Iron Man, *Captain America: Civil War*)

Ginnifer Goodwin & Jason Bateman (Judy/Nick, *Zootopia*)

Dwayne Johnson & Auli'i Cravalho (Moana/Maui, *Moana*)

Anna Kendrick & Justin Timberlake (Poppy/Branch, *Trolls*)

Charlize Theron & Emily Blunt (Ravenna/Freya, *The Huntsman: Winter's War*)

#### Most Wanted Pet\*

Baloo from *The Jungle Book* (Bill Murray)

Dory from *Finding Dory* (Ellen DeGeneres)

Po from *Kung Fu Panda 3* (Jack Black)

Red from *The Angry Birds Movie* (Jason Sudeikis)

Rosita from *Sing* (Reese Witherspoon)

Snowball from *The Secret Life of Pets* (Kevin Hart)

#### #Squad\*

*Captain America: Civil War* - Chris Evans, Robert Downey Jr., Scarlett Johansson, Sebastian Stan, Anthony Mackie, Don Cheadle, Jeremy Renner, Chadwick Boseman

*Finding Dory* - Ellen DeGeneres, Albert Brooks, Kaitlin Olson, Hayden Rolence, Willem Dafoe, Ed O'Neill, Ty Burrell, Eugene Levy

*Ghostbusters* - Melissa McCarthy, Kristen Wiig, Kate McKinnon, Leslie Jones

*Rogue One: A Star Wars Story* - Felicity Jones, Forest Whitaker, Diego Luna, Ben Mendelsohn, Alan Tudyk, Donnie Yen, Riz Ahmed, Mads Mikkelsen

*Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows* - Noel Fisher, Jeremy Howard, Pete Ploszek, Alan Ritchson

*X-Men: Apocalypse* - James McAvoy, Michael Fassbender, Jennifer Lawrence, Nicholas Hoult, Evan Peters, Tye Sheridan, Ben Hardy, Kodi Smit-McPhee, Sophie Turner, Alexandra Shipp, Olivia Munn

#### **MUSIC:**

##### Favorite Music Group

The Chainsmokers

Fifth Harmony

Maroon 5

OneRepublic

Pentatonix

Twenty One Pilots

##### Favorite Male Singer

Drake

Justin Bieber

Bruno Mars

Shawn Mendes

Justin Timberlake

The Weeknd

Favorite Female Singer

Adele

Beyoncé

Ariana Grande

Selena Gomez

Rihanna

Meghan Trainor

Favorite Song

*24K Magic* - Bruno Mars

*Can't Stop the Feeling!* - Justin Timberlake

*Heathens* - Twenty One Pilots

*Send My Love (To Your New Lover)* - Adele

*Side to Side* - Ariana Grande ft. Nicki Minaj

*Work from Home* - Fifth Harmony ft. Ty Dolla \$ign

Favorite New Artist

Kelsea Ballerini

The Chainsmokers

Daya

Lukas Graham

Solange

Rae Sremmurd

Hailee Steinfeld

Twenty One Pilots

Favorite Music Video\*

*24K Magic* - Bruno Mars

*Can't Stop The Feeling!* - Justin Timberlake

*Formation* - Beyoncé

*Juju On That Beat* - Zay Hilfigerrr and Zayion McCall

*Me Too* - Meghan Trainor

*Stressed Out* - Twenty One Pilots

Favorite DJ/EDM Artist\*

Martin Garrix

Calvin Harris

Major Lazer

Skrillex

DJ Snake

Zedd

Favorite Soundtrack\*

*Hamilton*

*Me Before You*

*Moana*

*Sing*

*Suicide Squad*

*Trolls*

Favorite Viral Music Artist\*

Tiffany Alvord

Matty B

Carson Lueders

Johnny Orlando

Jacob Sartorius

JoJo Siwa

Favorite Global Music Star\*

5 Seconds of Summer (Australia/New Zealand)

BIGBANG (Asia)

Bruno Mars (North America)

Little Mix (UK)

Shakira (South America)

Zara Larsson (Europe)

**OTHER CATEGORIES:**

Favorite Video Game

*Just Dance 2017*

*Lego Marvel's Avengers*

*Lego Star Wars: The Force Awakens*

*Minecraft: Story Mode*

*Paper Mario: Color Splash*

*Pokémon Moon*

Nickelodeon's 2017 Kids' Choice Awards is produced by Nickelodeon Productions. Elizabeth Kelly, Michael Dempsey, Shelly Sumpter Gillyard and Jay Schmalholz are executive producers.

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