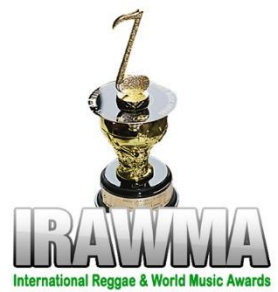




IRAWMA

INTERNATIONAL REGGAE AND WORLD MUSIC AWARDS

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2018 NOMINEES- 37th ANNUAL IRAWMA

Nominees & Special Awardees for the 37th Annual International Reggae and World Music Awards (IRAWMA), Saturday, May 11, 2019 at the Pegasus Hotel, 82 Knutsford Blvd, Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies.

1. Bob Marley Award for Entertainer of the Year

- * Busy Signal
- * Chronixx
- * Damian Marley
- * Popcaan
- * Shaggy

2. Best Male Vocalist

- * Chronixx
- * Romain Virgo
- * Tarrus Riley
- * Protoje
- * Beres Hammond

3. Best Female Vocalist

- * Etana
- * Estelle
- * Jah9
- * Koffee
- * Queen Ifrica

4. Best Song-

- * "One Way" - Busy Signal
- * "Underwater"-Vybz Kartel
- * "My Man" - Etana
- * "Kontra Band" – Kabaka Pyramid, featuring Damian Marley
- * "Body So Good" - PopCaan

5. Best Album/CD

- * "Reggae Forever" -Etana
- * "Forever" - Popcaan
- * "A Matter of Time" -Protoje
- * "44/876" -Sting and Shaggy
- * "Rebellion Rises" – Ziggy Marley

6. Best Crossover Song

- * “Mia” – Bad Bunny, featuring Drake
- * “Africa x Jamaica” – Morgan Heritage, featuring Diamond Platinum and Stonebwoy
- * “Mad Love” - Sean Paul and David Guetta, ft. Becky G
- * “Don't Make Me Wait” - Shaggy x Sting –
- * “Tip On It” – Sean Paul and Major Lazer

7. Best Gospel Song-

- * “Bawl Out [Jesus Name]” - Chozenn
- * “God Answers Prayers” - Da Flame
- * “You Are God” - -George Nooks
- * “Oh Lord We Need You” - Minister Marion Hall
- * ”Glory to God”- Wayne Marshall, Featuring Tessanne Chin and Ryan Mark

8. Best Male Dancehall Artist

- * Aidonia
- * Govana
- * Masicka
- * Popcaan
- * Vybz Kartel

9. Best Female Dancehall Artist

- *D’Angel
- *Dovey Magnum
- *Jada Kingdom
- * Spice
- *Shenseea

10. Best New Entertainer

- * Dalton Harris
- * Hood Celebrity
- * Jada Kingdom
- * Koffee
- * Rygin King

11. Best Calypso/Soca Entertainer

- * Farmer Nappy
- *Kes
- *Machel Montano
- *Skinny Fabulous
- * Patrice Roberts

12. Best Latin/Reggaeton Entertainer

- * Bad Bunny – Puerto Rico
- * J. Balvin – Columbian
- * Ozuna – Puerto Rican
- * Nicky Jam - Puerto Rican
- * Romeo Santos – Dominican

13. Best Afrobeat Entertainer

- * Akothee – Kenya -
- * Davido- Nigeria
- * Diamond Platnumz – Tanzania
- * Flavor – Nigeria
- * Shatta Wale – Ghana
- * Stonebwoy-Ghana

14. Best Soukous Entertainer

- * Akothee – Kenya
- * Awilo Longomba - Congo
- * Fally Ipupa - Congo
- * Ferre Gola – Congo
- * Nkuma Katalay - NY
- * Top-One Frissen – France

15. Best R&B/Hip Hop Collaborated Song

- * “I Like It” - Cardi B ft. Bad Bunny, J. Balvin
- * “Still King” – EMINEM, ft. Busta Rhymes
- * “Dimelo” – Rak’Su, Wyclef Jean and Naught Boy
- * ”Senseless” - Stefflon Don ft. Tory Lanez
- * “Touchdown” – Stylo G and Fanatix, featuring Nicki Minaj and Vybz Karlel

16. Best Reggae Rock Entertainer

- *Champion- Common Kings
- * Love me - Fia
- * Celebrate- Rebelution
- * Don’t Make Me Wait- Shaggy and Sting
- *Too Late- Slightly Stoopid

17. Best Teen Entertainer (13 – 19 yrs.)

- * Koffee
- * Nesa Khonesa
- * Ngoozi
- * Vybz t (Trevor Tawonevi -13) – Zimbabwe
- * Wayne J.

18. Best Music Video

- * “Medication” [Remix] Damian “Jr. Gong” Marley - (Stephen "Ragga" Marley, Wiz Khalifa & Ty Dolla
- * “Africa x Jamaica,”- Morgan Heritage, Platnumz and Stonebwoy
- * “Mad Love” - Sean Paul and David Guetta, ft. Becky G
- * ”Tip Pon It” - Sean Paul & Major Lazer -
- * “Gringo” - Shatta Wale
- * My Own - Samini

19. Mutabaruka Award for Best Poet/Spoken Word entertainer

- * Cherry Natural
- * DYCR
- * Richie Innocent
- * Malachi Smith
- * Yusus Afari

20. Most Cultural/Educational Entertainer

- * Capleton
- * Chronixx
- * Lutan Fyah
- * Sizzla
- * Tarrus Riley

21. Most Outstanding Show Band/Group-

- * Capleton & the Prophecy Band
- * Inner circle
- * Morgan Heritage
- * Raging Fyah
- * New Kingston Band

22. Most Consistent Entertainer

- * Calypso Rose
- * Freddie McGregor
- * Marcia Griffiths
- * Maxi Priest
- * Toots Hibbert

23. Most Promising Entertainer

- * Dalton Harris
- * Fancy Gadam– Ghana
- * Kabaka Pyramid
- * Koffee
- * Motto - St. Lucia

24. Best Instrumentalist

- * Dean Fraser
- * Joseph Sax – Uganda
- * Sly and Robbie

25. Best Sound System/DJ

- * Bass Odyssey
- * Mighty Crown
- * Pink Panther
- * Stone Love
- * Tony Matterhorn

26. Concert of the Year

- * Rebel Salute- Jamaica
- * Reggae Sumfest- Jamaica
- * Rototom Sunsplash- Spain
- * Sierra Nevada World Music Festival- California
- * Summerjam- Germany

27. Most Outstanding Dance Group Sponsored by Rockerz Jamaica

- * Black Eagle – JA
- * 4 Bent - Ghana
- * Optimistic Dancers - JA
- * Pyrotech - USA
- * Sopreme Blazzaz – JA

28. Best Haitian Entertainer

- * DJakout #1
- * Kai
- * Klass
- * Roody Roodboy
- * NuLook

29. Best Caribbean Entertainer- Sponsored by VP Records

- * Beenie Man
- * Beres Hammond
- * Calypso Rose (110 and 87 shows – 2017/18)
- * Machel Mantano
- * Sizzla

30. Record Producer of the Year

- * French 4Real
- * Ghetto Youths Intl
- * Notnice
- * Russian
- * TJ Records

31. Comedian of the Year

- * Chris Daley
- * Glen Campbell
- * Ity and Fancy Cat
- * Majah Hype
- * Rohan Gunter

32. Marcus Garvey Humanitarian Award Nominees

- * Bounty Killer
- * GT Taylor Christmas Extravaganza
- * Josef Bogdanovich
- * Shaggy
- * VP Records

SPECIAL AWARDS

33. Inductee (s) IRAWMA Hall of Fame/Lifetime Achievement Award

- * Alan Hope, aka. Mutabaruka
- * Boris Gardner
- * Tony Rebel

34. Martin's International/IRAWMA Reggae/Jamaica Person of the Year 2018

- * Hon. Olivia “Babsy” Grange

35. Special Freedom Fighter Honor:

* “Freedom Fighter Award” to the International Civil Rights Leader, Rev. Jesse Louis Jackson, Sr.

36. Special Emperor of Reggae and World Music Honor:

* “Emperor of Reggae and World Music”, on the late great Robert “Nesta Marley” – O.M.

37. SPECIAL AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL MEDIA CONTRIBUTION TO REGGAE OVER THE YEARS

- A. Balford Henry
- B. Barry G. (Barry Gordon)
- C. Ka’bu
- D. Dennis Howard
- E. Norma Brown
- F. Winford Williams

38. SPECIAL: IRAWMA ENTREPRENEUR AWARD

- Josef Bogdanovich

39. SPECIAL: IRAWMA REGGAE LOVERS ROCK LEGEND AWARD

- Beres Hammond

40. Martin’s International/IRAWMA Award of Honor-

- * Clifton “Specialist” Dillion – For outstanding and extra-ordinary contributions to reggae music
- * Donald Kinsey – for 50 years of contributions to Reggae and world music
- * VP Records for over 40 year’s contribution to Reggae Music
- *Top One- Frissen – Africa

41. Special: IRAWMA Reggae Dancehall Icon Award

- Bounty Killer

42. Special: IRAWMA Reggae Culture Legend Award

- Capleton

43. Martin's International Special Salute: TheReggae50 – Pioneer Award of Honor to:				
A. Alpha Boys Band				
B. Bunny Wailer				
C. Chris Blackwell – Island Records				
D. Copeland Forbes- Booking Agent				
E. Freddy McGregor				
F. Johnny Nash				
G. Judy Mowatt				
H. Lee "Scratch" Perry				
I. Marcia Griffiths				
J. The Heptones				
K. Toots Hibbert				
L. U-Roy				
M. Ibo Cooper				
N. Tommy "Yes Indeed" Cowan				
O. Rita Marley				
P. Skatalites				
Q. Sly and Robbie				
R. Bob Andy				
S. Inner Circle				
T. Third World				

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE NOMINEES AND SPECIAL AWARDEES!

 Again, please note that all winners will be /revealed LIVE at the 37th Annual International Reggae and World Music Awards (IRAWMA), on Saturday May 11th, 2019. It will be post broadcasted nationally, soon thereafter. Like us on social media @irawma and @therreggae50 or visit www.irawma.com for more following the event.

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