



TAYLOR SWIFT WINS 'MAJOR TOUR OF THE YEAR' AT 36TH ANNUAL POLLSTAR AWARDS

TOUR OF THE YEAR GENRE AWARD WINNERS INCLUDE
BAD BUNNY, BILLIE EILISH, BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN AND
THE E STREET BAND, JELLY ROLL, MISSY ELLIOTT & USHER

Stevie Nicks, Louis Messina, Barrie Marshall, Steve Ballmer, Gary Kurfirst, Mike Sciortino & Climate Pledge Arena Receive Special Honors

Los Angeles, CA (Apr. 16, 2025) – Tonight, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel, iHeartRadio personality **Valentine** hosted the [36th Annual Pollstar Awards](#). *Pollstar*, the leading voice in live entertainment, brought together the industry's top talent for an unforgettable evening. As the only peer-voted honors in the business, the Pollstar Awards hold a unique and respected place in the industry. This year's ceremony honored the most innovative and successful artists, tours, companies, venues, and executives, with award winners including **Bad Bunny, Billie Eilish, Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band, Jelly Roll, Missy Elliott, Taylor Swift**, who notably won "Major Tour of the Year" for the second consecutive year for her ongoing "Eras Tour" (having also won at the previous 35th Annual Pollstar Awards), **Usher**, and more.

Major highlights include **Dead & Company's** Residency of the Year award, accepted by **John Mayer** and **Bob Weir**. **Eddie Vedder** spoke for The Music Festival of the Year award win for the **Ohana Festival**. **Jelly Roll** personally accepted his Country Tour of the Year award, and **Missy Elliott** took the stage to receive her Hip-Hop Tour of the Year award.

The evening celebrated industry icons with Pollstar Live! Hall of Fame inductions and prestigious award recognitions, honoring those who have made a lasting impact on live entertainment. **Stevie Nicks** was inducted by presenter **Jimmy Iovine**, with fellow inductees including **Louis Messina, Barrie Marshall** (introduced by **Brian Ray** and **Rusty Anderson** of **Paul McCartney's** band), and the **Ryman Auditorium** (presented by **Bob Weir**) were also honored.

The Personal Manager of the Year award was a tie between **Irving Azoff** (presented by his first client, **Kevin Cronin** of **REO Speedwagon/the Kevin Cronin Band**) and **Coran Capshaw** (presented by **The Strokes' Albert Hammond, Jr.**). The Lifetime Achievement award was presented posthumously to **Gary Kurfirst** by **Jerry Harrison** of **Talking Heads**.

In addition, the first-ever **Billie Eilish Award for Sustainability** was awarded to **Mike Sciortino**, GM of UBS Arena for **Sustainability Champion** and **Climate Pledge Arena** in Seattle, WA for **Sustainable Venue**.

36th Annual Pollstar Awards Winners

Major Tour of the Year

Taylor Swift, The Eras Tour

Rock Tour of the Year

Bruce Springsteen and the E Street Band, 2024 World Tour

Hip-Hop Tour of the Year

Missy Elliott, Out of This World — The Missy Elliott Experience

R&B Tour of the Year

Usher, Usher: Past Present Future

Pop Tour of the Year

Billie Eilish, Hit Me Hard and Soft: The Tour

Country Tour of the Year

Jelly Roll, The Beautifully Broken Tour

Latin Tour of the Year

Bad Bunny, Most Wanted Tour

Comedy Tour of the Year

Nate Bargatze, The Be Funny Tour

Support/Special Guest of the Year

Chappell Roan (Olivia Rodrigo)

Residency of the Year

Dead & Company, Sphere

Family, Event or Non-Music Tour of the Year

Hot Wheels Monster Trucks Live Glow Party

New Headliner of the Year

Chappell Roan

Music Festival of The Year (Global; over 30K attendance)

Bourbon & Beyond, Louisville, KY

Music Festival of The Year (Global; under 30K attendance)

Ohana Festival, Dana Point, CA

International Music Festival of The Year

Glastonbury Festival, Somerset, UK

Nightclub of the Year

9:30 Club, Washington, DC

Theatre of the Year

Brooklyn Paramount, Brooklyn, NY

Arena of the Year (U.S. Only)

Sphere, Las Vegas, NV

Arena of the Year (Outside of the U.S.)

The O2 – London, London, UK

Red Rocks Award — Outdoor Concert Venue of the Year

Hollywood Bowl, Hollywood, CA

Stadium of the Year (U.S. only)

SoFi Stadium, Inglewood, CA

Stadium of the Year (Outside the U.S.)

Wembley Stadium, London, UK

Casino/Resort Venue of the Year

Hard Rock Live at Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Hollywood, FL

New Concert Venue of the Year (North America)

Intuit Dome, Inglewood, CA

New Concert Venue of the Year (International)

Co-op Live, Manchester, UK

Venue Executive of the Year

Christy Castillo Butcher, SoFi Stadium and Hollywood Park

Talent Buyer of the Year

Stacie George, Live Nation

Small Venue Talent Buyer of the Year (Under 10,000 Capacity)

Donna Busch, Goldenvoice

Bill Graham Award / Promoter of the Year

Rich Schaefer, AEG Presents

International Promoter of the Year

Ricardo Gómez, OCESA

Bobby Brooks Award — Agent of the Year

Kirk Sommer, William Morris Endeavor

International Booking Agent of the Year

Christopher Dalston, Creative Artists Agency

Booking Agency of the Year

Wasserman Music

Independent Booking Agency of the Year (Global)

High Road Touring

Rising Star Award

Kiely Mosiman, Wasserman Music

Personal Manager of the Year

Coran Capshaw, Red Light Management (tie)

Irving Azoff, The Azoff Company (tie)

Maxie Solters Award — Touring Publicist of the Year

Larry Solters, Scoop Marketing

Road Warrior of the Year

Marty Hom

Transportation Company of the Year

Rock-It Cargo

Concert Visuals Company of the Year

Moo TV

Concert Sound Company of the Year

Clair Global

Tour Services Company of the Year

Backline Care

Pollstar Hall of Fame

Barrie Marshall

Louis Messina

Stevie Nicks

Ryman Auditorium

Lifetime Achievement Award

Gary Kurfist

Visionary Award

Steve Ballmer

Billie Eilish Award for Venue Sustainability - Sustainability Champion

Mike Sciortino, UBS Arena

Billie Eilish Award for Venue Sustainability - Sustainable Venue

Climate Pledge Arena, Seattle, WA

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About Pollstar Live!

The world's premier gathering of live entertainment professionals, returns to the Beverly Hilton in Los Angeles on April 15-17, 2025. With over 30 years of history, this three-day event offers compelling discussions led by industry visionaries, beginning with Production Live!, a full day

dedicated to those “in the trenches” in live events. Starting Wednesday, Pollstar Live! takes center stage, delving into the most relevant and informative topics for live entertainment professionals. The conference will focus on artist development, data, research, and the visionary strategies driving the global live entertainment industry to unprecedented heights. A perennial highlight of the conference, the annual Pollstar Awards celebration will commemorate the year's top achievements. Go to Pollstar.live to register and for the latest announcements about keynote speakers, panelists, session topics, and more.

About Pollstar:

Since its founding in 1981, *Pollstar*, The Voice of Live, has been the premier trade publication dedicated to covering the worldwide concert industry. *Pollstar* data is the leading resource for the touring industry encompassing box office numbers, routing, and directories. *Pollstar* produces a weekly magazine, publishes daily content to *Pollstar.com* and its "Daily Pulse" e-newsletter, and executes the world's largest gathering of live music industry professionals - Pollstar Live. Follow *Pollstar* on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

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