

SANTANA'S ANDY VARGAS, LESLIE GRACE, MUNI LONG, AND SUSANNA HOFFS ADDED TO THE LINEUP OF PERFORMERS AT THE GRAMMY HALL OF FAME® GALA ON MAY 16 AS PERFORMANCE DETAILS ARE REVEALED

ONLINE AUCTION NOW LIVE FEATURING SIGNED GUITARS FROM CHAPPELL ROAN, CHARLI XCX, CHRIS MARTIN, SABRINA CARPENTER, AND MANY MORE WITH PROCEEDS BENEFITING THE MUSEUM'S EDUCATION PROGRAMS

LOS ANGELES, CALIF. (MAY 9, 2025) — Singer-songwriter, actor and Latin GRAMMY® nominee Leslie Grace, GRAMMY Award-winning R&B singer-songwriter Muni Long, musician and author Susanna Hoffs of The Bangles, as well as longtime Santana band member Andy Vargas have been added to the lineup for the Recording Academy® and GRAMMY Museum®'s 2025 GRAMMY Hall Of Fame® Gala taking place May 16 at the Beverly Hilton in Los Angeles. Previously announced performers include celebrated percussionist Cindy Blackman; soul legend Eddie Floyd; 13-time GRAMMY winner Emmylou Harris with producer Daniel Lanois and acclaimed multi-GRAMMY Award-winning jazz drummer Brian Blade; drummer of iconic powerpop band Big Star; multi-GRAMMY Award-winning composer and bandleader Jon Batiste; powerhouse vocalist and GRAMMY-winner Ledisi; GRAMMY-winning actor and singer Leslie Odom Jr.; and guitar virtuoso Orianthi. Notably, Harris, Floyd and Stephens have recordings being inducted into the GRAMMY Hall Of Fame.

Performances will pay tribute to the 2025 GRAMMY Hall Of Fame inducted recordings: Blackman and Orianthi, joined by Vargas, will perform Santana's "Smooth"; Floyd and Stephens will perform "Knock On Wood"; Harris, Lanois, and Blade will present selections from *Wrecking Ball*; Ledisi will perform Clara Ward's "How I Got Over"; Leslie Grace will deliver Gloria Estefan's "Conga"; Odom Jr. will interpret Luther Vandross' "Never Too Much"; and Susanna Hoffs will take on Cat Stevens' "Wild World." Additional performances include a set by Ray Charles Architect of Sound Award recipient Jon Batiste, along with Conan Gray, John Mellencamp and Muni Long, who will perform as part of a tribute to this year's label honoree, Republic Records.

An online auction is currently underway, featuring a vast collection of guitars signed by an array of major artists including Chappell Roan, Charli xcx, Chris Martin, Lady Gaga & Bruno Mars, Sabrina Carpenter, Platinum tickets to the 68th GRAMMY Awards[®], and more. Proceeds will benefit the GRAMMY Museum's education programs. Click <u>HERE</u> for more info.



Returning as host is esteemed CBS News journalist Anthony Mason. The show will be produced by former GRAMMY Awards® Executive Producer Ken Ehrlich, alongside Ron Basile, Lindsay Saunders Carl and Lynne Sheridan, with musical direction by GRAMMY and Latin GRAMMY Award-winning composer, producer and conductor Cheche Alara.

Tickets for the GRAMMY Hall Of Fame Gala are on sale now. For more information, visit: grammymuseum.org/programs/hof-gala.

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ABOUT THE GRAMMY HALL OF FAME

The GRAMMY Hall Of Fame was established by the Recording Academy's National Trustees in 1973. The inducted recordings are selected annually by a special member committee of eminent and knowledgeable professionals from all branches of the recording arts with final ratification by the Recording Academy's National Board of Trustees. With 13 new titles, the GRAMMY Hall Of Fame currently totals 1,165 inducted recordings. Eligible recipients will receive an official certificate from the Recording Academy. For a full list of 2025 recordings inducted into the GRAMMY Hall Of Fame, see below or visit here.

ABOUT THE GRAMMY MUSEUM

The GRAMMY Museum is a nonprofit organization dedicated to celebrating and exploring music from yesterday and today to inspire the music of tomorrow through exhibits, education, grants, preservation initiatives, and public programming. Paying tribute to our collective musical heritage, the Museum values and celebrates the dynamic connection in people's diverse backgrounds and music's many genres, telling stories that inspire us, and creative expression that leads change in our industry.

For more information, visit <u>www.grammymuseum.org</u>, "like" the GRAMMY Museum on Facebook, and follow @GRAMMYMuseum on Instagram and TikTok.

ABOUT THE RECORDING ACADEMY

The Recording Academy represents the voices of performers, songwriters, producers, engineers, and all music professionals. Dedicated to ensuring the recording arts remain a thriving part of our shared cultural heritage, the Academy honors music's history while investing in its future through the <u>GRAMMY Museum</u>, <u>advocates on behalf of music creators</u>, supports music people in times of need through <u>MusiCares</u>®, and celebrates artistic excellence through the <u>GRAMMY Awards</u> — music's only peer-recognized accolade and highest achievement. As the world's leading society of music professionals, we work year-round to foster a more inspiring world for creators.



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ABOUT REPUBLIC RECORDS

A division of Universal Music Group, the world's leading music company, Republic Records is home to an all-star roster of multi-platinum, award-winning legends such as Anitta, Ariana Grande, Billy Porter, Conan Gray, Cynthia Erivo, Daniel Caesar, Eddie Vedder, Florence + the Machine, Glass Animals, Jelly Roll, Jimmy Fallon, John Legend, John Mellencamp, Jonas Brothers, Kid Cudi, Kim Petras, Lorde, Miranda Lambert, Nicki Minai, Pearl Jam, Shania Twain, Stevie Wonder, Taylor Swift and more. Founded by brothers and chief executives Monte and Avery Lipman, it is also comprised of innovative business ventures with chart topping artists and partners including American Recordings (Marcus King), Boominati Worldwide (Metro Boomin), Brushfire (Jack Johnson), Casablanca Records (Nelly Furtato, Martin Garrix), Cash Money (Birdman, Jacquees), HYBE (TXT), JYP Entertainment (Stray Kids, TWICE), Lava Records (Greta Van Fleet), Mavin Records (Ayra Starr), OVO (Drake), XO (The Weeknd), Young Money (Lil Wayne), among others. Additionally, Republic recently launched Federal Films, the film and TV division that aims to bring compelling stories to audiences around the world, as well as Republic Records: Kids & Family, the official children's division of Republic Records. Republic Records has become the music industry's most successful label of the past decade, earning Billboard's Hot 100 Label of the Year ten of the past eleven years among countless other accolades, including claiming iHeart's Label of the Year 8 years in a row, five of Variety's Hitmaker Label of the Year Awards, 4 Clio Awards, #1 Mediabase label for over 10 years, and most recently, the highly acclaimed 2025 Grammy Hall of Fame's Label Honoree.

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