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Nominations Announced for The 2017 JUNO Awards

Drake, Shawn Mendes and The Weeknd lead with five nominations each

- Voting for JUNO Fan Choice presented by TD is
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Toronto, ON — The Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences (CARAS) today **announced the nominees for the 46th Annual JUNO Awards** at a press conference at REBEL Nightclub in Toronto. JUNO Week 2017 will be hosted in Ottawa from March 27 through April 2, 2017, and a live broadcast of The 2017 JUNO Awards will air on CTV and CTV GO on Sunday, April 2 from the Canadian Tire Centre in Ottawa.

To view a complete list of the 2017 nominations, bios or to download photos of the nominees, please visit junoawards.ca.

Drake garnered an impressive five nominations: JUNO Fan Choice*, Single of the Year, Album of the Year*, Artist of the Year and Rap Recording of the Year.

Shawn Mendes also received five nominations: JUNO Fan Choice*, Single of the Year, Album of the Year*, Artist of the Year and Pop Album of the Year*.

The Weeknd followed suit with five nominations: JUNO Fan Choice*, Single of the Year, Album of the Year*, Artist of the Year, and R&B/Soul Recording of the Year.

Close behind with four nominations were **Alessia Cara**, including JUNO Fan Choice*, Single of the Year, Artist of the Year and Pop Album of the Year*; and the late **Leonard Cohen** for Album of the Year*, Artist of the Year, Songwriter of the Year* and Adult Alternative Album of the Year.

The Ottawa area was well represented this year: **A Tribe Called Red** received three nominations (Jack Richardson Producer of the Year, Video of the Year* and Electronic Album of the Year); **Belly** secured two nominations (JUNO Fan Choice* and Rap Recording of the Year), and with first time nominations; **Annihilator** (Metal/Hard Music Album of the Year); and **Daniel Taylor** (Classical Album of the Year: Vocal or Choral).

For more information on the 2017 JUNO Awards and 2017 nominations, please visit www.junoawards.ca.

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***Award Sponsors for The 2017 JUNO Awards** listed above include JUNO Fan Choice (presented by TD), Album of the Year (sponsored by Music Canada), Pop Album of the Year (sponsored by TD), Songwriter of the Year (presented by SOCAN), and Video of the Year (sponsored by MuchFACT, exclusively funded by Bell Media).

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