

# **Courtney B. Vance, Stan Lathan, Tyrese Gibson, Raphael Warnock, Jon Osoff, & Zaila Avant-Garde To Be Honored At 30th Bounce Trumpet Awards**

The 30th Annual Bounce Trumpet Awards announces their honorees. Courtney B. Vance, Tyrese Gibson, Stan Lathan, Zaila Avant-Garde, Senators Raphael Warnock and Jon Osoff, and Princess Sarah Culbertson will be honored on Saturday, January 15th at the Dolby Theater in Hollywood. Wendell Pierce, Sanaa Lathan, Tamron Hall and JB Smoove are among those to pay tribute to the honorees. There will be one part of the show where those who have fought for Black equality will be recognized as The Warrior Of Justices. The group includes:

- The NAACP, the largest and most pre-eminent civil rights organization in the nation led by Derrick Johnson, President and CEO.
- Rainbow PUSH Coalition, the international human and civil rights organization founded by Rev. Jesse Jackson, one of America's foremost civil rights, religious and political figures.
- National Urban League, the nation's largest historic civil rights and urban advocacy organization run by Marc Morial, President and CEO.
- Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), the African American civil rights organization closely associated with its first president, Martin Luther King Jr., led by current President and CEO Dr. Charles Steele, Jr.

The awards show returns with its first live event since the COVID-19 shutdown. The replay of the event will air on Martin Luther King Day, Jan.17 at 8 PM ET on Bounce TV.

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## **Naomi Campbell, Yara Shahidi, Stacey Abrams & Tommie Smith To Be Honored At 2020 Bounce Awards**

The Bounce Trumpet Awards has announced its 2020 honorees. This year's 29th annual ceremony is called The Bounce Trumpet Awards: Stand Up and it is intended to recognize those who have chosen to fight the social injustices faced by African Americans. Georgia political leader Stacey Abrams will receive the Valor Award which honors the individual who faces conflict with bravery as she did with her Fair Fight Action voter awareness organization that worked to help facilitate a record turnout for the 2020 election.

Yara Shahidi, who is known as an actress on the TV shows *Grown-ish* and *Black-ish*, will receive the Trailblazer Award. The honor is for pioneers who inspire others to follow their path to greatness while challenging the status quo. Shahidi founded WeVoteNext (formerly Eighteen x 18) with Now This News to encourage voting for the 2018 and 2020 elections and has a partnership with the Young Women's Leadership Network of New

York.Â

Supermodel Naomi Campbell will receive the Vanguard Award which recognizes those who share avant-garde ideas with the mainstream and makes a social impact in their field. Campbell has called out racism in the modeling industry and started charity relief efforts around the world for natural disasters.Â

Former American Track and Field star Tommie Smith will receive the Xernona Clayton Award Of Distinction named after the esteemed founder of the Trumpets, which recognizes individuals who, having succeeded against immense odds, herald change, and prosperity to enhance and enrich the world. Smith's silent gesture of protest at the 1968 Olympics continues to be a historic and enduring image for athletes and activists standing up against injustice today.Â

Singer Mariah Carey, director Lee Daniels, actor and activist Jesse Williams, actor Trevor Jackson, political activist Angela Davis and former congressman Bakari Sellers will help to pay tribute to the honorees.Â

Anthony Hamilton, Busta Rhymes, Bell Biv Devoe and Terrace Martin will provide the music.Â

The Bounce Trumpet Awards will broadcast on Sunday, December 13th at 8:00 PM ET.Â

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**Wanda Sykes Hosts 28th Annual  
Bounce Trumpet Awards Sunday,**

# Jan. 12 at 9pm ET On Bounce



Wanda Sykes Credit: Bounce

Wanda Sykes is the host of the 28th Annual Bounce Trumpet Awards. The show, which celebrates African-American achievements will premiere Sunday, January 12th at 9 PM ET on Bounce. The black-tie event took place in Hollywood for the first time and the honorees are Martin Lawrence, Cedric The Entertainer, Marsai Martin, Ambassador Andrew Young, Hydeia Broadbent and Phylicia Fant.Â

Faith Evans's performance of a hit medley with Sheila E is one of the musical highlights of the evening including Rapsody's duet with R&B singer Elle Varner. Nas gave a rendition of his classic "If I Ruled The World" and the evening ended with a performance from B. Slade, Le'Andria Johnson and Jason McGee & The Choir. Niecy Nash, Mike Epps, Anthony Anderson, Sylvia Rhone, Lamman Rucker and Xernona Clayton will present the honorees with their awards.Â



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## Wanda Sykes to Host 28th Annual Bounce Trumpet Awards at The Dolby Theatre in

# Hollywood



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ATLANTA (Oct. 10, 2019) – EMMY® Award-winning comedian, actress and writer Wanda Sykes will host the 28th Annual *Bounce Trumpet Awards*, an exciting night of inspiration, history and crowd-rousing performances celebrating African-American achievements and contributions.

For the first time in its history, the *Bounce Trumpet Awards* will be held in Hollywood, taking place at the Dolby Theatre. It will tape Dec. 4, 2019 and will world premiere nationwide on Bounce on Sun. Feb. 23 at 9:00 p.m. ET for Black History Month. Bounce, the fastest-growing African-American network on television, exclusively owns, produces and telecasts the event. Visit [www.trumpetawards.com](http://www.trumpetawards.com) for more information.

“Relocating the *Bounce Trumpet Awards* to Hollywood gives us an opportunity to build upon the show’s enormous entertainment value by tapping into Hollywood’s talent resources,” said Bounce’s Executive Vice President of Original Programming David Hudson. “Wanda Sykes is the perfect person to helm this year’s Trumpets. Not only is she hilarious and brilliant, but she has also broken many barriers in her career from being the first African-American woman to host the White House Correspondents’ Dinner to conceiving and starring in her own prime-time sitcom. She truly personifies the spirit of the Trumpet Awards – an inspirational celebration of Black excellence.”

Sykes has been called “one of the funniest stand-up comics” by her peers and ranks among *Entertainment Weekly’s* 25 Funniest People in America. Her smart-witted stand-up has sent her

career in many different directions. She can be seen in her first Netflix comedy special *Wanda Sykes: Not Normal*, which was nominated for two Primetime EMMY® Awards. She also was seen in the EMMY®-winning reboot of Norman Lear's *The Jeffersons*. She is currently in production for two shows she is producing and writing through her Push It Productions banner. Â Â

Hudson will serve as Executive Producer of the 2020 *Bounce Trumpet Awards*, along with Rikki Hughes, CEO of Magic Lemonade Productions. Hughes is an EMMY® and GRAMMY®-winning producer of award shows, comedy specials and independent features. Her credits include four comedy specials with Dave Chappelle for Netflix, HBO's upcoming comedy special *All Def Comedy*, *The BET 25th Anniversary Special*, *The BET Comedy Awards* and more.

The *Bounce Trumpet Awards* were conceived to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of African Americans and those who have succeeded against great odds and inspired success in others. Founded in 1992 by American Civil Rights leader Xernona Clayton, The Trumpet Awards were acquired by Bounce in 2016. The list of prestigious honorees includes Muhammad Ali, Beyoncé, Jamie Foxx, Halle Berry, Stevie Wonder, The African-American Women of the United States Congress, Steve Harvey, Martin Luther King, III, Janelle Monáe and Spike Lee.