

Body Count, Fantastic Negrito, Thundercat, Brittany Howard, Nas, Megan Thee Stallion, Ledisi & More Take Home Grammys



The 63rd Grammy Awards took place at the Los Angeles Convention center with Trevor Noah as the host. There were performances from Bruno Mars with anderson.paak, Doja Cat, Megan Thee Stallion and Cardi B. Beyonce made history and became the woman with the most Grammys after taking her home her 28th one. She joined Megan Thee Stallion onstage for their joint win for Best Rap Song for “Savage” which Jay-Z also won his 23rd Grammy for because he helped write the song. Their daughter Blue Ivy became the second-youngest winner ever at 9-years old for Best Music Video for “Brown Skin Girl.” Megan Thee Stallion became the first woman to win Best Rap Song. Ice-T’s Body Count took the award for Best Metal Performance. Nas won his first Grammy after 14 nominations over his almost 30-year career. Fantastic Negrito picked up his third Grammy for Contemporary Blues Album. Fans questioned why Taylor Swift became the first woman to win album of the year three times and why Billie Eilish won Record Of The Year two years in a row. See all the winners below:

Song Of The Year:

“I Can’t Breathe” – WINNER

Dernst Emile II, H.E.R. & Tiara Thomas, songwriters (H.E.R.)

Best New Artist:

Megan Thee Stallion

Best Dance Recording:

“10%”

Kaytranada Featuring Kali Uchis

Kaytranada, producer; Neal H. Pogue, mixer

Best Dance/Electronic Album:

BUBBA – Kaytranada

Best Metal Performance:

Bum-Rush – Body Count

Best Rock Song:

“Stay High” – Brittany Howard, songwriter (Brittany Howard)

Best R&B Performance:

“Black Parade” -Beyoncé

Best Traditional R&B Performance:

“Anything For You” – Ledisi

Best R&B Song:

“Better Than I Imagined” – Robert Glasper, Meshell Ndegeocello & Gabriella Wilson, songwriters (Robert Glasper Featuring H.E.R. & Meshell Ndegeocello)

Best Progressive R&B Album:

It Is What It Is -Thundercat

Best R&B Album:

Bigger Love -John Legend

Best Rap Performance:

“Savage” -Megan Thee Stallion Featuring Beyoncé

Best Melodic Rap Performance:

“Lockdown” -Anderson.Paak

Best Rap Song:

“Savage” -Beyoncé, Shawn Carter, Brittany Hazzard, Derrick Milano, Terius Nash, Megan Pete, Bobby Session Jr., Jordan Kyle Lanier Thorpe & Anthony White, songwriters (Megan Thee Stallion Featuring Beyoncé)

Best Rap Album:

King’s Disease -Nas

Best Contemporary Christian Music Album:

Jesus Is King-Kanye West

Best Gospel Album:

Gospel According To PJ -PJ Morton

Best Contemporary Blues Album:

Have You Lost Your Mind Yet? -Fantastic Negrito

Best Traditional Blues Album:

Rawer Than Raw – Bobby Rush

Best Reggae Album:

Got To Be Tough-Toots & The Maytals

Best Global Music Album:

Twice As Tall – Burna Boy

Best Music Video:

“Brown Skin Girl”-Beyoncé, Blue Ivy & WizKid

Beyoncé Knowles-Carter & Jenn Nkiru, video directors; Astrid Edwards, Aya Kaida, Jean Mougín, Nathan Scherrer & Erinn Williams, video producers

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Watch: Beyoncé, Blue Ivy, Saint Jhn, Wizkid-Brown Skin Girl Official Video

[youtube id="vRFS0MYTC1I"] Beyoncé’s video for “Brown Skin Girl” seeks to undo years of conditioning that told women with darker skin that they had no value. She lets them know that their complexion is something to be celebrated instead of shunned by society.Â The song is from *The Lion: The Gift* soundtrack and was used in the companion film *Black Is King*. Lupita Nyong’o, Kelly Rowland, Naomi Campbell and Blue Ivy Carter have appearances in the video. Saint Jhn, Wizkid and Blue Ivy are also on the song.Â

Shanachie To Release First Afrobeats Compilation



Shanachie Records is getting ready to release the first Afrobeats compilation in the United States. The new style of Afro pop is a mashup of Jamaican dancehall, Soca, hip-hop and African rhythms. Drake's "One Dance" is an example of the style and the song features Wizkid who is one of the genre's stars. *Afrobeats Hot Hits: The New Sound Of Urban Africa* will feature music from Wande Coal, Davido, Tiwa Savage, Timaya, Yemi Alade, Tekno, Wizkid and more. The majority of the artists hail from Nigeria and Ghana but they are American and Caribbean artists represented as well.

Afrobeats Hot Hits is a balanced introduction the style that is spreading around the world. Tiwa Savage, who has sung background vocals for Mary J. Blige contributed "Ileke." Anthony David, who expressed his love for the genre to this site, recorded the remix of "I Don't Mind" with American based Nigerian artist Mic and it is included on *Afrobeats Hot Hits*.

***Afrobeats Hot Hits* Tracklisting**

1. Davido: Skelewu
2. Wande Coal: Rotate
3. Tekno: Rara
4. Yemi Alade feat. R2Bees: Pose
5. Seyi Shay feat. Wizkid: Crazy (re-mix)
6. Tiwa Savage: Ileko
7. Skales feat. Attitude: Your Body Hot (re-mix)
8. Rayce feat. Davido: Wetin Dey (re-mix)
9. Kiss Daneil feat. Davido and Tiwa Savage: Woju (re-mix)

10. Timaya feat. Sean Paul: Shake Ur Bum Bum (re-mix)
11. 9ice: Economy
12. Falz feat. Reekado Banks: Celebrity Girlfriend
13. Anthony David feat. MIC-0: I Don't Mind
14. Kayefi: Oreski (Major Notes re-mix)