

33RD ANNUAL POLLSTAR 2022 AWARDS PRESENTED BY WINNERS

MAJOR TOUR OF THE YEAR

Dead & Company, *What a Long Strange Trip It's Been Tour*
Eagles, *Hotel California 2021 Tour*
Green Day / Weezer / Fall Out Boy, *Hella Mega Tour*
Guns N' Roses, *We're F'n Back!* Tour
Harry Styles, *Love on Tour* (WINNER)
James Taylor, *James Taylor & His All-Star Band Tour*
The Rolling Stones, *No Filter Tour*

BEST ROCK TOUR

Eagles, *Hotel California 2021 Tour*
Foo Fighters (WINNER)
Green Day / Weezer / Fall Out Boy, *Hella Mega Tour*
KISS, *End of the Road World Tour*
Phish, *Summer/Fall 2021 Tour*
The Rolling Stones, *No Filter Tour*

BEST HIP-HOP TOUR

Don Toliver, *Life of a Don Tour*
J. Cole, *The Off-Season Tour* (WINNER)
Jack Harlow, *The Crème De La Crème Tour*
Lil Baby, *The Back Outside Tour*
Playboi Carti, *King Vamp Tour*
Trippie Redd, *Tripp at Knight Tour*

BEST R&B TOUR

Earth, Wind & Fire, *2021 Tour* (WINNER)
H.E.R., *Back of My Mind Tour*
John Legend, *Bigger Love Tour*
Ledisi, *The Wild Card Tour*
Leon Bridges, *Gold-Diggers Sound Tour*
Omarion / Bow Wow, *The Millennium Tour*

BEST POP TOUR

AJR, *The OK Orchestra Tour*
BTS, *Permission to Dance on Stage Tour*
Harry Styles, *Love on Tour*
Jonas Brothers, *The Remember This Tour*
LANY, *GGBBXX Tour*
Maroon 5 (WINNER)

BEST COUNTRY TOUR

Chris Stapleton, *Chris Stapleton's All-American Road Show Tour* (WINNER)
Dan + Shay, *The (Arena) Tour*
Eric Church, *The Gather Again Tour*
Luke Bryan, *Proud to be Right Here 2021 Tour*
Luke Combs, *What You See is What You Get 2021 Tour*
Zac Brown Band, *The Comeback Tour*

BEST LATIN TOUR

Enrique Iglesias / Ricky Martin, *Live in Concert* (WINNER)
Karol G, *Bichota Tour*
Los Bukis, *Una Historia Cantada Tour*
Maluma, *Papi Juancho Maluma World Tour*
Marc Anthony, *Pa'lla Voy Tour*
Pitbull, *I Feel Good Tour*

COMEDY TOUR OF THE YEAR

Bert Kreischer, *The Bertie Boy Tour*
Dave Chappelle
Gabriel Iglesias, *Beyond the Fluffy World Tour*
Joe Rogan, *The Sacred Clown Tour*
Sebastian Maniscalco, *Nobody Does This Tour* (WINNER)
Trevor Noah, *Back to Abnormal World Tour*

BEST SUPPORT / SPECIAL GUEST ACT & TOUR

Garbage (Alanis Morissette) (WINNER)
Hardy (Jason Aldean, Morgan Wallen)
Jackson Browne (James Taylor)
Kelsea Ballerini (Jonas Brothers)
The Band Camino (Dan + Shay)
The Interrupters (Green Day / Fall Out Boy / Weezer)

BEST RESIDENCY

Billy Joel, *Madison Square Garden, NY*
Bruno Mars, *Park Theater, LV*
David Byrne, *American Utopia, St James Theater, NY*
Lady Gaga, *Jazz & Piano, The Las Vegas Residency, Park Theater, LV* (WINNER)
LCD Soundsystem, *Brooklyn Steel, Brooklyn, NY*
Usher, *The Colosseum, LV*

The resiliency of the touring business, the power and popularity of touring artists, and the passion and devotion of fans were all on display again as live events came roaring back this year. As such, the 2022 Pollstar Awards returned to its traditional format of honoring the top-achieving artists, tours, events, venues, and executives of the year.

Pollstar salutes the winners and nominees for the 2022 Pollstar Awards, and all of the artists, fans, and hardworking touring professionals who brought live back to our venues in 2021.

BEST FAMILY, EVENT OR NON-MUSIC TOUR OF THE YEAR

Blippi: The Musical
Disney on Ice (WINNER)
Dude Perfect
Gold Over America
Tyler Henry, *The Hollywood Medium*
WWE

BEST NEW HEADLINER/ARTIST DEVELOPMENT STORY

Billy Strings (WINNER)
Dan + Shay
Glass Animals
Kane Brown
Machine Gun Kelly
Phoebe Bridgers

MUSIC FESTIVAL OF THE YEAR (GLOBAL; OVER 30K ATTENDANCE)

Austin City Limits Music Festival – *Austin, TX* (WINNER)
BottleRock – *Napa, CA*
Lollapalooza – *Chicago, IL*
Louder than Life Festival – *Louisville, KY*
Outside Lands Music Festival – *San Francisco, CA*
Shaky Knees – *Atlanta, GA*

MUSIC FESTIVAL OF THE YEAR (GLOBAL; UNDER 30K ATTENDANCE)

Desert Daze – *Lake Perris, CA*
Ohana Festival – *Dana Point, CA* (WINNER)
Pitchfork Music Festival – *Chicago, IL*
Railbird – *Lexington, KY*
Sea.Hear.Now Festival – *Asbury Park, NJ*
Tortuga Festival – *Fort Lauderdale, FL*

NIGHTCLUB OF THE YEAR

9:30 Club – *Washington, D.C.*
Brooklyn Bowl – *Brooklyn, NY*
Exit/In – *Nashville, TN*
First Avenue – *Minneapolis, MN*
Irving Plaza – *New York, NY*
Troubadour – *West Hollywood, CA* (WINNER)

THEATRE OF THE YEAR

Beacon Theatre – *New York, NY*
Fox Theatre – *Atlanta, GA*
Kings Theatre – *Brooklyn, NY*
Radio City Music Hall – *New York, NY*
Ruth Eckerd Hall – *Clearwater, FL*
Ryman Auditorium – *Nashville, TN* (WINNER)

ARENA OF THE YEAR

BOX Center – *Tulsa, OK*
Bridgestone Arena – *Nashville, TN*
Dickies Arena – *Fort Worth, TX*
Madison Square Garden – *New York, NY*
Staples Center – *Los Angeles, CA*
The Forum – *Inglewood, CA* (WINNER)

RED ROCKS AWARD – OUTDOOR CONCERT VENUE OF THE YEAR

Ascend Amphitheater – *Nashville, TN* (WINNER)
FirstBank Amphitheater – *Franklin, TN*
Greek Theatre – *Los Angeles, CA*
Hollywood Bowl – *Los Angeles, CA*
KettleHouse Amphitheater – *Bonner, MT*
Santa Barbara Bowl – *Santa Barbara, CA*

BEST NEW CONCERT VENUE

Brooklyn Bowl – *Nashville, TN* (WINNER-Small Venue)
Brooklyn Made – *Brooklyn, NY*
Climate Pledge Arena – *Seattle, WA* ((WINNER-Aena)
SoFi Stadium – *Los Angeles, CA* ((WINNER-Outdoors)
UBS Arena – *Belmont Park, NY*
YouTube Theater – *Los Angeles, CA*

INTERNATIONAL VENUE OF THE YEAR

Auditorio Nacional, *Mexico*
O2 Academy Brixton, *United Kingdom*
Palau Sant Jordi, *Spain*
Royal Albert Hall, *United Kingdom* (WINNER)
The O2, *United Kingdom*
Wizink Center, *Spain*

VENUE EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

Chris Wright, *Allegiant Stadium*
David Kells, *Bridgestone Arena* (WINNER)
Eric Bresler, *Climate Pledge Arena*
Geni Lincoln, *The Forum*
Josephine Vaccarello, *Madison Square Garden*
Laurie Jacoby, *Barclays Center*

TALENT BUYER OF THE YEAR

Amy Corbin, *C3 Presents* (WINNER)
Anthony Nicolaidas, *Live Nation*
Brent Fedrizzi, *AEG Presents*
Charlie Goldstone, *Frank Productions*
Geoff Gordon, *Live Nation*
Gary Spivack, *Danny Wimmer Presents*

SMALL VENUE TALENT BUYER OF THE YEAR (UNDER 10K CAPACITY)

Bobby Clay, *C3 Presents*
Donna Busch, *Goldenvoice* (WINNER)
Greg Siegel, *Live Nation*
Jenn Yacoubian, *Goldenvoice*
Molly Warren, *Live Nation*
Warda Baig, *Live Nation*

BILL GRAHAM AWARD – PROMOTER OF THE YEAR

Bob Roux, *Live Nation* (WINNER)
Brad Wavra, *Live Nation*
Lesley Olenik, *Live Nation*
Louis Messina, *Messina Touring Group*
Mike Smardak, *Outback Presents*
Omar Al-Joulani, *Live Nation*

INTERNATIONAL PROMOTER OF THE YEAR

Barrie Marshall, *Marshall Arts* (WINNER)
Denis Desmond, *Live Nation/Gaiety Investments (MCD Productions)*
Jim King, *AEG Presents*
Kelly Chappel, *Live Nation*
Michael Chugg, *Chugg Entertainment*
Simon Moran, *SJM Concerts*

BOBBY BROOKS AWARD – AGENT OF THE YEAR

Dave Rowan, *High Road Touring* (WINNER)
Jenna Adler, *CAA*
Kirk Sommer, *WME*
Marsha Vlastic, *Artist Group International*
Marty Diamond, *Wasserman Music*
Robert Gibbs, *ICM Partners*

INTERNATIONAL BOOKING AGENT OF THE YEAR

Emma Banks, *CAA*
John Jackson, *K2*
Keith Naisbitt, *APA*
Luey Dickins, *WME*
Mike Greek, *CAA*
Steve Strange, *X-ray Touring* (WINNER)

BOOKING AGENCY OF THE YEAR

APA
Artist Group International
CAA (WINNER)
UTA
Wasserman Music
WME

INDEPENDENT BOOKING AGENCY OF THE YEAR (GLOBAL)

High Road Touring (WINNER)
International Talent Booking
Madison House
Mint Talent Group
Partisan Arts
Red 11

RISING STAR AWARD

Akin Aliu, *CAA*
Jared Braverman, *Live Nation*
Molly Warren, *Live Nation* (WINNER)
Shirin Nury, *CAA*
Tommy Bruce, *Full Stop Management*
Warda Baig, *Live Nation*
Zac Bluestone, *Wasserman Music*

PERSONAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR

Bob McLynn, *Crush Management*
Dre London, *London Entertainment Group*
Jared Paul, *Faculty Productions*
Jeffrey Azoff, *Full Stop Management* (WINNER)
Kerri Edwards, *KP Entertainment*
Mary Hilliard Harrington, *Red Light Management*

ROAD WARRIOR OF THE YEAR

David Licursi (Jonas Brothers)
Gus Brandt (Foo Fighters)
Ken Helle (Dead & Company) (WINNER)
Marc Robbins (Eagles)
Max Loubiere (Billy Joel)
Steve Lawler, *Live Nation*
Zito (Green Day)

TRANSPORTATION COMPANY OF THE YEAR

All Access
Caldwell Coaches
Griley Air Freight
Pioneer Coach
Rock-it Cargo (WINNER)
Upstaging

BEST CONCERT VISUALS

Bandit Lites (WINNER)
Moo TV
PRG
Screenworks
Solotech
Upstaging

BEST CONCERT SOUNDS

Clair Global (WINNER)
Creative Audio
Eighth Day Sound
Jonas Productions
PHNTM
PRG

BEST BRAND PARTNERSHIP / LIVE CAMPAIGN

Amazon / Climate Pledge Arena Naming Rights (WINNER)
American Express / Harry Styles Love on Tour
Balmain / Balmain x Maluma Clothing Line
Citi / Billy Joel Madison Square Garden Residency
SoFi / SoFi Stadium Naming Rights
Yellowheart / Kings of Leon When You See Yourself Album NFT

MARKETING / PR EXECUTIVE OF THE YEAR

Allison McGregor, *CAA* (WINNER)
Ebie McFarland, *Essential Broadcast Media*
Kaitlyn Henrich, *Live Nation*
Kate McMahon, *Messina Touring Group*
Michele Bernstein, *Mici B. Inc.*
Shannon Fitzgerald, *CAA*

BEST HANG

Austin City Limits Music Festival – *Austin, TX* (WINNER)
Billy Joel Residency at MSG – *New York, NY*
Brooklyn Bowl – *Brooklyn, NY*
Forum Club – *Los Angeles, CA*
Greek Theatre – *Los Angeles, CA*
Lollapalooza – *Chicago, IL*

BEST PERSON TO SCORE A DINNER WITH

Gerry Barad, *Live Nation*
Irving Azoff, *The Azoff Company* (WINNER)
Michael Rapino, *Live Nation* (WINNER)
Nadia Prescher, *Madison House/SaveLive*
Omar Al-Joulani, *Live Nation*
Tom Windish, *Wasserman Music*

LIFE OF THE PARTY

Donna Busch, *AEG/Goldenvoice*
Lenore Kinder, *Wasserman Music*
Louis Messina, *Messina Touring Group*
Peter Shapiro, *Brooklyn Bowl*
Ron Delsener, *Live Nation* (WINNER)
Steve Reisman, *Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP*

DAMN THE TORPEDOES: 2021 TOURING ARTIST

Billy Joel
Billy Strings
Dave Chappelle (WINNER)
Eagles
Foo Fighters
Green Day / Weezer / Fall Out Boy