



BET Networks Announces Comedian, Entertainer and Actor Lil Duval as Host of the 2019 BET “Hip Hop Awards”

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THE 2019 BET “HIP HOP AWARDS” RETURN TO ATLANTA, GA AT THE COBB ENERGY CENTER PREMIERING ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2019 AT 8PM ET/PT ON BET NETWORKS

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NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sep. 19, 2019-- The 2019 BET “Hip Hop Awards” will return to the Cobb Energy Center in Atlanta, GA, hosted by comedian, actor and entertainer **Lil Duval** with the broadcast premiere on **Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 8:00PM ET/PT**.

Roland Powell, best known by his stage name, **Lil Duval**, is no stranger to the spotlight and once center stage lights up the room filled with his infectious humor, individual style and charm. Jacksonville, Florida's own, Lil Duval, has made various TV, film and comedic appearances from BET's Comic View, Guy Code, Wild 'n Out, Hip Hop Squares, Ridiculousness, All Star Comedy Jam, Meet the Blacks, Scary Movie 5, School Dance, Grow House and many more.

Recently, Lil Duval has turned to his musical skillset releasing top records including certified gold single - “Smile” ft. Snoop Dogg & Ball Greezy, “Pull Up” ft. Ty Dolla \$ign and the hot topic of discussion single - “Black Men Don't Cheat” ft. Charlamagne Tha God. Lil Duval is currently traveling throughout the states on his “Living My Best Life Tour”, as well as recently releasing new track, “City Boy Wit It”, a dance song highlighting the wave of the trending topic ‘Hot Girl Summer vs. City Boy Summer’. Lil Duval continues to prove he is a versatile talent, here to make the world more care free through his music and comedy.

Jesse Collins, CEO of Jesse Collins Entertainment, will serve as Executive Producer of the BET “Hip Hop Awards” 2019 along with **Connie Orlando**, BET Head of Programming and **Jeannae Rouzan-Clay**, Vice President of Specials, Jesse Collins Entertainment.

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***Note:**BET “Hip Hop Awards” is a private event and tickets are not available for purchase to the public. Talent tickets are reserved for **BET “Hip Hop Awards”** show talent and nominees.

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ABOUT BET NETWORKS:

BET Networks, a subsidiary of Viacom Inc. (NASDAQ: VIA, VIA.B), is the nation's leading provider of quality entertainment, music, news and public affairs television programming for the African-American audience. The primary BET channel reaches more than 90 million households and can be seen in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean, the United Kingdom and sub-Saharan Africa. BET is the dominant African-American consumer brand with a diverse group of business extensions: [BET.com](http://www.bet.com), a leading Internet destination for black entertainment, music, culture and news; BET HER, a 24-hour entertainment network targeting the African-American woman; BET Music Networks - BET Jams, BET Soul and BET Gospel; BET Home Entertainment; BET Live, BET's growing festival business; BET Mobile, which provides ringtones, games and video content for wireless devices; and BET International, which operates BET around the globe.

ABOUT JESSE COLLINS ENTERTAINMENT:

Jesse Collins Entertainment (JCE) is a full-service television and film production company founded by entertainment industry veteran Jesse Collins. For more than a decade, the company has played an integral role in producing some of television's most memorable moments in music entertainment including groundbreaking and award winning television programming including the BET Awards, Soul Train Awards, BET Honors, UNCF An Evening of Stars, ABFF Awards and the BET Hip Hop Awards. On the scripted side, JCE has produced numerous shows for BET including Real Husbands of Hollywood starring Kevin Hart as well as the critically acclaimed The New Edition Story, a biopic on the boy band that aired as a 3-part mini-series. It posted record ratings for the network and attracted nearly 30 million viewers. It was followed by The Bobby Brown Story, which chronicled the talented but troubled singer's exit from the popular '80s boy band through his solo success and was the highest rated non-tentpole program on the network since The New Edition Story. The company's second season of American Soul, the critically-acclaimed period drama based on the untold rise of the iconic music and dance program Soul Train, will debut in 2020. Go to <http://www.jessecollinsent.com/> for more information on the company.

ABOUT BET “HIP HOP AWARDS”:

BET “Hip Hop Awards” is an annual celebration that pays homage to a culture that changed the world while highlighting the best in hip hop music. Year after year, BET Networks delivers the best in hip-hop for an unforgettable night of performances, cyphers and tributes honoring hip-hop legends that have and continue to make hip-hop culture a global force.

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