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**\*\*MEDIA ALERT FOR THURSDAY, DEC. 6, 2007\*\***

## **AKON, FERGIE, VINCE GILL, LINKIN PARK, GEORGE LOPEZ AND TAYLOR SWIFT TO ANNOUNCE NOMINATIONS DEC. 6 FOR 50TH ANNUAL GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> AWARDS**

*Nominations Announcement to Kick Off Season for Music's Biggest Night<sup>™</sup> on  
Feb. 10, 2008 at STAPLES Center in Los Angeles*

**WHO:** Artists scheduled to announce GRAMMY<sup>®</sup> nominations include R&B singer/songwriter **Akon**, three-time GRAMMY winner **Fergie**, 18-time GRAMMY winner **Vince Gill**, two-time GRAMMY-winning group **Linkin Park** (**Chester Bennington** and **Mike Shinoda**), actor/comedian **George Lopez**, and platinum country singer **Taylor Swift**. More presenters will be announced shortly.

**WHAT:** Announcement of nominations for the 50th Annual GRAMMY Awards. GRAMMY season officially kicks off with the nominations announcement in Los Angeles on Dec. 6, 2007. The 50th GRAMMY Awards take center stage at the STAPLES Center in Los Angeles on Feb. 10, 2008, on CBS.

**WHEN:** **Thursday, Dec. 6, 2007**  
7:30 a.m. PT Media check-in  
**\*\*\*Photo ID and Press ID required at check-in\*\*\***  
8:30 a.m. PT Press conference begins

**WHERE:** **The Music Box @ Fonda**  
6126 Hollywood Blvd.  
Hollywood, Calif.  
(Self-parking \$8; Sunshine lot off of Argyle)

**INFO:** **MEDIA R.S.V.P. MANDATORY: 310.854.8354**

Established in 1957, The Recording Academy is an organization of musicians, producers, engineers and recording professionals that is dedicated to improving the cultural condition and quality of life for music and its makers. Internationally known for the GRAMMY Awards — the preeminent peer-recognized award for musical excellence and the most credible brand in music — The Recording Academy is responsible for groundbreaking professional development, cultural enrichment, advocacy, education and human services programs. In its 50th year, The Academy continues to focus on its mission of recognizing musical excellence, advocating for the well-being of music makers and ensuring music remains an indelible part of our culture. For more information about The Academy, please visit [www.grammy.com](http://www.grammy.com).

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