

# TELEVISION ACADEMY ANNOUNCES UPDATES TO 72<sup>nd</sup> EMMY<sup>®</sup> AWARDS SEASON CALENDAR

**(NOHO ARTS DISTRICT, Calif.** – March 27, 2020) – The Television Academy today announced changes to be implemented for the 72<sup>nd</sup> Emmy Awards® season in response to unprecedented challenges resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

These updates include a revised Emmy voting calendar, modification of the hanging episode rule for series and limited series, and suspension of For Your Consideration industry events.

Following discussions with key industry partners, the Television Academy Board of Governors voted to update the Emmy Awards calendar to better accommodate ongoing changes and disruptions in production and programming schedules across all network, cable and streaming services. Key dates in the competition have been pushed back, and voting windows have shortened:

## **Revised Emmy Awards Calendar:**

June 5: Entry deadline

July 2: Nominations-round voting begins

July 13: Nominations-round voting ends

July 28: Nominations announced

August 21: Final-round voting begins

August 31: Final-round voting ends

**CLICK HERE** for the full Emmy Awards calendar.

**NOTE:** There are no current plans to cancel or delay the Sept. 20 Emmy telecast or the Sept. 12 and 13 Creative Arts Emmy ceremonies. As national and statewide directives and mandates on the COVID-19 pandemic remain fluid, the Television Academy and broadcast partner ABC will monitor recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the L.A. County Department of Public Health.

### Modification of Hanging Episode Rule (Series and Limited Series)

Due to production and programming delays, the Academy has extended the eligibility date for "hanging episodes" to June 30 (formerly May 31).

<u>Series eligibility</u>: To qualify for eligibility in the current eligibility year, the series must have premiered by the end of the eligibility year (May 31, 2020). If the series has one or more episodes that fall into the subsequent eligibility year, those episodes must be broadcast or posted on an accessible platform by June 30 to gain eligibility for the current eligibility year. A minimum of six eligible episodes is still required to qualify for series eligibility.

<u>Limited Series eligibility</u>: To qualify for eligibility in the current eligibility year, the limited series must have premiered by the end of the eligibility year (May 31, 2020). If the limited series has one or more episodes/parts that fall into the subsequent eligibility year, those episodes must be broadcast or posted on an accessible platform by June 30 to gain eligibility for the current eligibility year, provided the complete limited series is made available by the June 30 deadline. If those episodes/parts are not able to be broadcast/posted by June 30, then the complete limited series, along with the individual achievements, will be eligible in the subsequent eligibility year.

#### **For Your Consideration Events**

All Television Academy For Your Consideration events—whether with a live audience, streaming or recorded for posting on a viewing platform—have been suspended for this Emmy season.

# **About the Television Academy**

The Television Academy seeks to expand the horizons of television excellence. Through the programs, publications and events of the Academy and its Foundation, it strives to empower storytellers who shape the evolving television space. And it celebrates those who have excelled by recognizing their achievements through accolades and awards, including television's most coveted prize the Primetime Emmy® Award. For more information, please visit TelevisionAcademy.com.

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