HOLLYWOOD MUSIC IN MEDIA AWARDS TO ANNOUNCE 2017 NOMINEES OCT. 23RD

Ceremony held Thursday, November 16, 2017 The Avalon, Hollywood Submission deadline is October 6th

(Hollywood, CA) – September 12, 2017 – The Hollywood Music in Media Awards (HMMA) will announce the nominees for SCORE and SONG in all visual media on October 23rd. The deadline for submission is October 6, 2017. The HMMA nominations have historically been representative of the nominees and winners of key award shows announced months later including last year's HMMA live-action song winner "City of Stars" (LA LA LAND) by Justin Hurwitz, Benj Pasek and Justin Paul prior to winning the Golden Globe and Oscar for "Best Song" as well as the HMMA song winner for Animation, "Can't Stop the Feeling!" (TROLLS) by Justin Timberlake, Max Martin and Shellback prior to winning the Grammy for "Best Song for Visual Media". Two years ago, the Golden Globe nominees for film score mirrored the HMMA's selections. The HMMA's categories include "Outstanding Music Supervision," a classification added this year by the TV Academy for the EMMYs. The HMMA has recognized the role of music supervisors since its inception in 2009. The 2017 HMMA event will be held Thursday, November 16, 2017 at The Avalon 1735 N. Vine Street, Hollywood, CA 90028. For more information visit <u>http://www.hmmawards.com</u>.

The HMMA is the only award that specifically recognizes excellence in music for all visual media. An advisory board and selection committee selects the HMMA nominations, which include journalists, music executives, songwriters and composers.

The winners are determined by music-media industry professionals comprised of select members of the Society of Composers and Lyricists (SCL), The Television Academy, the AMPAS Music Branch, NARAS, performing rights organizations, film music journalists, and music executives. The awards show has garnered international attention, according to HMMA Executive Producer Brent Harvey, "We are proud the HMMA nominees represent visual music from around the world including Spain, UK, Argentina, France, Norway, Italy, Japan, China and Australia. We are honored to recognize these for their achievements."

The HMMA includes presentations, performances and a special achievement award. The HMMA Special Achievement Award recognizes an individual who has made a significant impact in music or the music community; honorees include Smokey Robinson, Glen Campbell, Dave Mason, Christopher Young and John Debney. Past HMMA performances have included Melissa Manchester, an acapella choir performing "Til it Happens To You" from THE HUNTING GROUND, the score from BIRDMAN performed by composer Antonio Sanchez, and The New Radicals founding members Gregg Alexander and Danielle Brisboise performing their song "Lost Stars" from the film BEGIN AGAIN. All these film music performances later garnered Oscar and/or Golden Globe nominations. Presenters have included Verdine White of Earth, Wind and Fire, Gilby Clarke of Guns n' Roses, award-winning songwriter Stephen Bishop, actors Eric Roberts and Natasha Henstridge, Adam Gaynor formerly of Matchbox 20 and director/writer/producer Andy Fickman.

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