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## HOLLYWOOD STARS RAISE \$335,000 FOR TELEVISION ACADEMY FOUNDATION AT 19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL EMMYS<sup>®</sup> GOLF CLASSIC

Cedric the Entertainer, Benito Martinez, Andia Winslow and Kate Linder Among Celebrities Who Came Out Swinging for Fundraiser

(NoHo Arts District, Calif. – Oct. 30, 2018)-- The star-studded 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Emmys<sup>®</sup> Golf Classic raised \$335,000 for the Television Academy Foundation. Proceeds from the fundraiser, co-sponsored by STAPLES Center Premium Seating, will benefit the nonprofit Foundation's renowned educational programs.

Television stars, entertainment industry executives, Television Academy leadership and corporate partners competed in the golf tournament at the Wilshire Country Club in Los Angeles, California, on Monday, Oct. 29.

Hosted for the second consecutive year by **Cedric the Entertainer** (*The Neighborhood*), the event included competitors from some of television's top shows: **Andy Buckley** (*Shameless*), **Bailey Chase** (*Twin Peaks*), **Chris Conner** (*Altered Carbon*), **Matt Corboy** (*Love for Christmas*), **Matt Craven** (*Sharp Objects*), **Patrika Darbo** (*The Bold and the Beautiful*), **Arturo Del Puerto** (*Camping*), **Kellee Edwards** (*Mysterious Islands*), **Patrick Fabian** (*Better Call Saul*), **Jackie Flynn** (*Loudermilk*), **Spencer Garrett** (*Unsolved: The Murders of Tupac and the Notorious B.I.G.*), **Edwin Hodge** (*Six*), **Michael Ironside** (*The Alienist*), **Isaac Keys** (*Get Shorty*), **Richard Kind** (*Big Mouth*), **Matt Letscher** (*Narcos: Mexico*), **Kate Linder** (*The Young & the Restless*), **Peter Mackenzie** (*black-ish*), **Benito Martinez** (*How to Get Away with Murder*), **Bruce McGill** (*Shades of Blue*), **Sheaun McKinney** (*The Neighborhood*), **Breckin Meyer** (*The Fix*), **Jay Phillips** (*Grown Folks*), **James Remar** (*Black Lightning*), **Tim Simons** (*Veep*), **Mauricio Umansky** (*RHOBH*) and **Peter Weller** (*The Last Ship*). Athletes **Andia Winslow** and **Byron Chamberlain** also competed in the event.

The tournament kicked off with "on the green" carpet arrivals, followed by a putting contest, full round of golf and an afternoon cocktail reception. The day concluded with an awards dinner where honors were presented, including:

- Grand Prize Low Net Winner: The Johnny Carson Foundation team
- 2nd Place Low Net: CBS team led by Cedric the Entertainer
- 3rd Place Low Net: Universal Television team led by Matt Craven
- Ferrari Blindfold Celebrity Challenge Winner: CBS team led by Cedric the Entertainer
- Putting Contest Winner: David Coupland of HBO team led by Arturo Del Puerto
- 1st Place Gross: The NBC team led by Byron Chamberlain

Celebrities also took time during the event to autograph prize bottles of Ferrari TrentoDOC and Sterling Platinum plus a Dooney & Bourke Weekender to be auctioned off in the Foundation's upcoming holiday season auction.

Sponsors for the event are AMC Networks<sup>™</sup>, ARIS Consulting, Academy Benefits, The Agency, Audi<sup>®</sup>, Billie Greer, CBS Television Studios, Dolby<sup>®</sup>, Dooney & Bourke, EY, EPIX, FX Networks, Ferrari Trento, FIJI<sup>®</sup> Water, GreenMouse Recycling, HBO<sup>®</sup>, Johnny Carson Foundation, Dawn DuMont-Perdew, Knot Standard, L'Oréal Paris, NBC Entertainment, PEOPLE<sup>®</sup>, STAPLES Center Premium Seating, Sterling Vineyards, tbs I TNT, Universal Cable Productions and Universal Television.

For the first time, the Emmys Golf Classic hosted a special golf clinic for beginners, introducing the sport to participants who enjoyed a full lesson on the driving range.

"Our sincerest gratitude to Cedric the Entertainer and all of the stars who participated in this year's Emmys Golf Classic," said Madeline Di Nonno, chair of the Television Academy Foundation. "Along with our sponsors, their support helps sustain the Foundation's exceptional education programs, which provide professional experience, industry access and career pathways for students with diverse backgrounds. For nearly 60 years the Foundation's programs have helped launch careers in television, and we appreciate the ongoing support of the Hollywood community."

## About the Television Academy Foundation

Established in 1959 as the charitable arm of the Television Academy, the Television Academy Foundation is dedicated to preserving the legacy of television while educating and inspiring those who will shape its future. Through renowned educational and outreach programs such as the <u>College Television Awards</u>, <u>Student Internship Program</u>, <u>The Interviews: An Oral History of Television</u> and <u>The Power of TV</u>, the Foundation seeks to widen the circle of voices our industry represents and to create more opportunity for television to reflect all of society. For more information on the Foundation, please visit <u>TelevisionAcademy.com/Foundation</u>.

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Cedric the Entertainer hosted the Television Academy Foundation's 19th Emmys Golf Classic, raising \$335,000 to benefit the Foundation's renowned education programs, at the Wilshire Country Club on Monday, Oct. 29, 2018 in Los Angeles, CA. (Photo by Vince Bucci/Invision for the Television Academy/AP Images)