



PRESS RELEASE

MARLIN AWARDS PREPARES TO CELEBRATE ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY

On Sunday July 3rd 2022, the Bahamian and Caribbean Gospel Music community will come together to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Caribbean Gospel Music Marlin Awards at the Myles E. Munroe Diplomat Center beginning at 6:00pm.

The Marlin Awards which were launched on March 16th 1996 by media executive Kevin “Minister K” Harris some twenty six years ago is now considered the premier gospel music awards that recognizes and honors Bahamian and Caribbean Gospel music globally. The awards started as The Bahamian Gospel Music Marlin Awards in 1996 and in the year 2000 eight categories we included to recognize Caribbean Gospel artists and their music. Then in 2022, the awards were rebranded the Caribbean Gospel Music Marlin Awards, bringing together for the first time, artists from throughout the Bahamas and the Caribbean.

According to founder and President Kevin “Minister K” Harris, we are extremely humbled by how far we have come over these many years and how much we have grown.



We are especially delighted to know that with the pending celebration of our Silver Jubilee Anniversary, the Marlin Awards now stands as the longest running gospel music award show in the Bahamas and in the Caribbean.

The Marlin Awards were established to recognize and honor outstanding achievement in Bahamian and Caribbean Gospel Music and its vision and core objective is to encourage excellence and growth in Caribbean Gospel Music.

A number of local and regional gospel artists are scheduled to perform during the highly anticipated awards show on July 3rd including the two top co-nominees this year, Joel “Positive” Murray from Trinidad & Tobago & Kevin Downswell from Jamaica as well the two top co-group nominees Christopher Roberts & Friends & Gateway Outreach Ministries featuring Oslie Jadorte from the Bahamas. Also on the shows line up is top female nominee this year, Cara T. Newton from Freeport Grand Bahama as well as other top nominees such as Sherwin Gardner from Trinidad & Tobago but who now resides here in the Bahamas and Samuel Medas from Guyana. Other confirmed performers include Harvest Generation, Alia Coley and Allison Mason Rolle.



Several companies are serving as GOLD Sponsors including **Breezes Bahamas** who is serving as the Official Resort for Marlin Awards 2022. All international and domestic guests are booking their stay at Breezes. Another GOLD sponsor is **101.9 Joy FM** who is serving as the Official Radio Station for Marlin Awards 2022. The Marlin Awards has had a long standing relationship with Joy FM and the station will provide the promotional platform for local and regional nominees including their material. The third GOLD Sponsor is **Caribbean Gospel TV or CGTV**, a television station based out of Trinidad and Tobago. **CGTV** will promote and broadcast this year's Caribbean Gospel Music Marlin Awards LIVE on its network which currently broadcast in seven regional markets and across the Caribbean on the Digicel TV network, Telem TV, CCore and stream online at caribbeangospel.tv. CGTV television broadcast currently reaches; Jamaica, Barbados, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks & Caicos Islands, Dominica, Anguilla, Montserrat, Saint Kitts & Nevis, Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, St Maarten.

The SILVER Sponsor for this year's awards is **Bahamas Faith Ministries International** and the two BRONZE Sponsors include **Jamaica Bahama Imports** and **Bahamas Harvest Church**.

Tickets for this year's Caribbean Gospel Music Marlin Awards start at \$25 for General admission, \$30 at the door and \$50 for VIP.



Ticket can be purchased from Logos Bookstore in the Harbor Bay Shopping Plaza, The Oasis Bookstore & Café located in the Myles E. Munroe Diplomat Center and the Bible Book & Gift Center located in the Palmdale Shopping Plaza.

The Marlin Awards will serve as the final event during Marlin Weekend of Events 2022 which will include the hosting of the Marlin Fest Concert on Friday July 1st 2022 at Bahamas Harvest Church West Campus (JRK) beginning at 7:00pm and the Marlin Summit Workshops on Saturday July 2nd 2022 which will be held at Bahamas Faith Ministries beginning at 9:00am. The Marlin Awards Silver Jubilee Awards Celebration will close out the weekend of events on Sunday July 3rd 2022 at the Myles E. Munroe Diplomat Center beginning at 6:00pm.

The awards will be produced by Oracle Media Consultants, formerly Harris Media Group.

For additional information for any Marlin Awards Weekend of Events and for tickets interested persons can contact at the Marlin Awards at 826-8052 or via email at marlinawards@gmail.com or visit the awards official website at www.marlinawards.com.