

First-Time GRAMMY Winners of 2025: Sabrina Carpenter to Doechii

Description

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Spanning a remarkable 94 categories, the GRAMMY Awards honor the finest achievements across diverse musical genres—including pop, rock, R&B, jazz, rap, Latin, classical, and musical theater—celebrating the accomplishments of thousands of music creators since the inaugural ceremony in 1957.

A single GRAMMY win can elevate an artist's career to extraordinary heights, yet some remarkable individuals have accumulated numerous accolades, surpassing 10, 20, and even 30 wins throughout their careers. Have you ever been curious about these illustrious GRAMMY recipients? Your search is over; we've meticulously compiled a list of the most distinguished GRAMMY winners in history.

Beyoncé, 35

Beyoncé made history at the 2023 GRAMMYs by becoming the artist with the highest number of GRAMMY wins ever, achieving her 35th win for Best Dance/Electronic Music Album with her acclaimed 2022 release, *RENAISSANCE*. At the 2025 ceremony, she further solidified her status by securing three additional awards, notably her inaugural Album of the Year win and two honors in the Country & American Roots Music Field, marking her as the first Black woman to triumph in the latter category. With a staggering total of 99 nominations, she has also become the most-nominated artist in GRAMMY history.

Georg Solti, 31

The late conductor Georg Solti boasts the record for the most GRAMMY wins within the Classical Field, with his final accolade awarded for Best Opera Recording for *Wagner: Die Meistersinger Von Nurnberg* in 1997.

Quincy Jones, 28

Quincy Jones' illustrious career as an artist, arranger, and producer spans over ten categories, including Children's, Jazz, Pop, and R&B. He is also one of the select few to have received the GRAMMY Legend Award.

Alison Krauss, 27

Alison Krauss is recognized as the woman artist with the highest GRAMMY wins in the Country Field, having won 14 of her 27 awards with her long-standing backing band, Union Station.

Chick Corea, 28



Jazz musician and composer Chick Corea holds the title of the artist with the most GRAMMYs in the jazz category, accumulating 28 awards as a solo artist, along with five Latin GRAMMYs for his contributions to Latin jazz.

John Williams, 26

Renowned composer John Williams has received numerous GRAMMYs for his iconic film scores, notably including soundtracks for *Star Wars*, *Jaws*, and *Schindler's List*, earning a total of 26 awards, with his latest recognition coming for Best Instrumental Composition at the 66th GRAMMYs.

Pierre Boulez, 26

Pierre Boulez garnered his GRAMMYs predominantly through his interpretation of works by eminent 20th-century composers and received the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2015.

Vladimir Horowitz, 25

The illustrious pianist Vladimir Horowitz received GRAMMYs in every decade from the 1960s to the 1990s, further honored with a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1990 and five recordings preserved in the GRAMMY Hall of Fame.

Stevie Wonder, 25

Stevie Wonder's remarkable influence is highlighted by his status as the only artist in GRAMMY history to win five or more awards on three separate occasions. His contributions to music were celebrated in the 2015 telecast "Stevie Wonder: Songs In The Key Of Life — An All-Star GRAMMY Salute."

David Frost, 25

Prominent within the Classical Field, renowned producer David Frost has won the Classical Producer of the Year GRAMMY seven times, alongside multiple accolades in both Best Classical Engineered Recording and Best Opera Recording. He recently achieved three GRAMMYs at the 2024 ceremony for Best Opera Recording, Best Engineered Album Classical, and Best Classical Instrumental Solo.

Jay-Z, 25

Once tied with Kanye West for most GRAMMY wins among rap artists, Jay-Z now stands alone. He secured his 25th award at the 2025 GRAMMYs for "Cowboy Carter," achieving success across all four Rap Field categories through notable collaborations.

Kanye West, 24

In what was a closely contested GRAMMY race with Jay-Z, Kanye West has often had to compete against his own work, as evidenced by multiple wins in the same categories across different years.



U2, 22

Fronted by Bono, U2 leads all rock acts in GRAMMY victories, with their most recent wins occurring in 2005, including Album of the Year for *How To Dismantle An Atomic Bomb*.

Vince Gill, 22

Acclaimed singer-songwriter Vince Gill has garnered 20 of his 22 GRAMMY awards within the Country domain, a record in the category, and has achieved remarkable success throughout the 1990s.

Serban Ghenea, 21

A prominent mix engineer, Serban Ghenea boasts 21 GRAMMY awards, with three Latin GRAMMYs. His career spans mixing for myriad legendary artists, with a remarkable track record of over 225 No. 1 singles and albums.

Henry Mancini, 20

Late composer Henry Mancini is celebrated for his memorable TV and film scores, having set a record with five wins in one night at the 1961 GRAMMYs, with major hits like "Moon River" and "Days of Wine and Roses."

Pat Metheny, 20

Jazz guitarist Pat Metheny has achieved GRAMMY recognition across four decades, beginning with his 1982 win in Best Jazz Fusion Performance for *Offramp* and most recently for Best Jazz Instrumental Album in 2012.

Al Schmitt, 20

As an esteemed engineer and mixer, Al Schmitt has collaborated with artists such as Ray Charles and Paul McCartney, earning 20 GRAMMYs along with two Latin GRAMMYs, and receiving the Trustees Award from the Recording Academy.

Bruce Springsteen, 20

Bruce Springsteen has consistently won GRAMMYs over every decade from the 1980s to the 2000s, with albums like *Born To Run* enshrined in the GRAMMY Hall of Fame.

Paul McCartney, 19

Since winning Best New Artist with The Beatles in 1964, Paul McCartney has garnered 19 GRAMMY awards as an artist and composer, extending his influence into rap categories alongside his rock achievements.

Tony Bennett, 19

A testament to artistry that matures with age, Tony Bennett has secured nine of his GRAMMYs since 2002,



marking a significant resurgence in his long and celebrated career.

Yo-Yo Ma, 19

Lauded cellist Yo-Yo Ma has accumulated 18 GRAMMYs since earning his first in 1984, showcasing his exceptional versatility through various musical genres.

Aretha Franklin, 18

As the undisputed queen of R&B, Aretha Franklin boasts 18 GRAMMYs, along with a remarkable collection of honors including a Lifetime Achievement Award and five recordings enshrined in the GRAMMY Hall of Fame.

Jimmy Sturr, 18

Jimmy Sturr stands as a monumental figure in polka music, claiming 18 out of 25 GRAMMYs awarded in the genre, including 13 for Best Polka Album, solidifying his legacy.

Vocabulary List:

- 1. Accolade /'ækə,leɪd/ (noun): An award or privilege granted as a special honor or acknowledgment of merit.
- 2. **Distinguished** /dis'tɪngwɪ[t/ (adjective): Recognized for excellence or distinction; notable.
- 3. Acclaimed /ə'kleɪmd/ (adjective): Publicly praised; celebrated.
- 4. **Accumulated** /əˈkjumjʊˌleɪtɪd/ (verb): To gather or collect over time.
- 5. **Celebrating** /'sɛlɪ,breɪtɪŋ/ (verb): To acknowledge a significant or happy day or event with a social gathering or enjoyable activity.
- 6. Remarkable /rɪˈmɑːrkəbl/ (adjective): Worthy of being noticed; extraordinary.

Comprehension Questions

Multiple Choice

1. Which artist holds the record for the highest number of GRAMMY wins ever?

Option: Georg Solti Option: Chick Corea Option: Beyoncé Option: John Williams



2. Who received the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2015 for GRAMMY achievements?

Option: Pierre Boulez
Option: Vladimir Horowitz
Option: John Williams
Option: Serban Ghenea

3. Which artist has the most GRAMMY wins in the jazz category?

Option: John Williams Option: Chick Corea Option: Pat Metheny Option: Quincy Jones

4. Who received the Grammy Legend Award?

Option: Quincy Jones Option: John Williams Option: Serban Ghenea Option: Alison Krauss

5. Which artist is the first Black woman to win in the Country & American Roots Music Field?

Option: Alison Krauss Option: Stevie Wonder Option: Beyoncé Option: Jay-Z

6. Who achieved success across all four Rap Field categories through notable collaborations?

Option: Kanye West

Option: Jay-Z

Option: Quincy Jones Option: John Williams

True-False

- 7. Quincy Jones has won a total of 31 GRAMMYs.
- 8. Pat Metheny has achieved GRAMMY recognition only in the 1990s.
- 9. Vince Gill holds the record for the most GRAMMY wins in the Country Field.



- 10. Bruce Springsteen has won GRAMMYs in every decade from the 1980s to the 2000s.
- 11. Stevie Wonder has won five or more awards on three separate occasions.
- 12. Chick Corea has five Latin GRAMMYs for his contributions to Latin jazz.

Gap-Fill

13. Who became the most-nominated artist in	GRAMMY history with a total of
nominations?	
14. Jay-Z secured his 25th award at the 2025 GRAMMYs for	
15. Alison Krauss won	out of her 27 awards with her long-standing backing band,
Union Station.	
16. Bruce Springsteen has consistently won G	SRAMMYs over every decade from the

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Beyoncé 2. Pierre Boulez 3. Chick Corea 4. Quincy Jones 6. Jay-Z

True-False: 7. False 8. False 9. False 10. True 11. True 12. True **Gap-Fill:** 13. 99 14. "Cowboy Carter" 15. 14 16. 1980s 17. 2015

17. Pierre Boulez received the Lifetime Achievement Award in _

Vocabulary quizzes

Multiple Choice (Select the Correct answer for each question.)

1. Which term describes speech or content that is intended to provoke anger or outrage?

Option: Condemned Option: Controversial Option: Inflammatory Option: Dissent



2. Which term refers to a typical example or pattern of something?

Option: Integrity Option: Dissent Option: Paradigm **Option: Tenacity**

3. What term means an award or privilege granted as a special honor or as an acknowledgment of merit?

Option: Sustainable Option: Distinguished Option: Accolade Option: Acclaimed

4. Which word describes the action of observing an event or achievement with demonstrations of joy and festivity?

Option: Accumulated Option: Anticipated Option: Celebrating

5. Which term refers to power and influence over others?

Option: Remarkable ESL-NE

Option: Anticipated Option: Commence Option: Dominance

6. What word describes wild and noisy disorder or confusion?

Option: Climax

Option: Inflammatory Option: Pandemonium

Option: Tenacity

7. What term refers to an agreement or settlement of a dispute that is reached by each side making concessions?

Option: Condemned Option: Hateful

Option: Compromise Option: Sustainable

8. Which term means successful authoritative and commanding great respect?

Option: Accolade Option: Distinguished Option: Acclaimed



Option: Accumulated

9. What word describes a claim or assertion that someone has done something illegal or wrong typically without proof?

Option: Remuneration Option: Allegation Option: Testimony Option: Scrutinized

10. Which term refers to money paid for work or a service?

Option: Anticipated Option: Accumulated Option: Remuneration Option: Celebrating

Gap-Fill (Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list.)

11. The remarks made by the politician were widely criticized.	
12. The witness provided crucial during the trial.	
13. The financial records were carefully by the auditors.	
14. The spokesperson the company's position on the matter.	
15. His success can be attributed to his and perseverance.	
16. We need to find solutions to protect the environment for future generations.	
17. Over the years he a vast collection of rare books.	
18. Her dedication to charity work is truly	
19. The new product launch is highly in the industry.	
20. The ceremony will at 10 a.m. sharp.	
Matching Sentences (Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list.)	
21. The speech was filled with malice and showed deep-seated dislike and resentment.	



- 22. The article sparked intense controversies due to its provocative nature.
- 23. The decision to cut down the ancient trees received mixed responses from the community.
- 24. The actions of the criminal were strongly denounced by the public.
- 25. The meeting today is crucial for setting the direction of the project.
- 26. Committing a serious crime like murder is classified as a felony.
- 27. The company prides itself on its honesty ethics and strong moral principles.
- 28. Some members of the board expressed disagreement with the proposed policy changes.
- 29. Before a formal charge is made an accusation of wrong behavior is known as an allegation.
- 30. The award was given to a renowned expert in the field for their exceptional contributions.

Answer

Multiple Choice: 1. Inflammatory 2. Paradigm 3. Accolade 4. Celebrating 5. Dominance 6. Pandemonium 7. Compromise 8. Distinguished 9. Allegation 10. Remuneration

Gap-Fill: 11. Antisemitic 12. Testimony 13. Scrutinized 14. Clarified 15. Tenacity 16. Sustainable

17. Accumulated 18. Remarkable 19. Anticipated 20. Commence

Matching sentence: 1. Hateful 2. Inflammatory 3. Controversial 4. Condemned 5. Pivotal 6. Felony 7. Integrity

8. Dissent 9. Allegation 10. Distinguished

CATEGORY

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