

Amy Grant, Kirk Franklin to Host 44th Annual Dove Awards

Christian music legends Amy Grant and Kirk Franklin have been announced as the hosts for the 44th Annual GMA Dove Awards.

“There are not too many names more synonymous with Christian and gospel music than our hosts Amy and Kirk,” says GMA Executive Director Jackie Patillo. “We are so grateful for their contributions to the Dove Awards throughout the years, and we’re excited to have them as the co-pilots of what is turning out to be one of the most compelling nights of music ever on the Dove stage.”

The event will feature performances from past Dove Award winners and nominees, including Gaither Vocal Band, Michael W. Smith, Tamela Mann and TobyMac, among others yet to be announced.

Awards will be conferred in 42 categories voted on by the GMA membership. Presenters of the awards include Lecrae, Rick Warren and Jaci Velasquez.

The music award ceremony will be held Oct. 15 at Lipscomb University’s Allen Arena in Nashville, then broadcast on Oct. 21 at 8 p.m. Eastern on the UP network.