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CONAN O'BRIEN TO HOST 97TH OSCARS®

'THE OSCARS' SET TO AIR LIVE MARCH 2, 2025, ON ABC

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Emmy® Award-winning television host, writer, producer and comedian Conan O'Brien will host the 97th Oscars, Academy CEO Bill Kramer and Academy President Janet Yang announced today. It will be O'Brien's first time hosting the broadcast. "The Oscars" will air live on ABC and broadcast outlets worldwide on Sunday, March 2, 2025, at 7 p.m. EST/4 p.m. PST, with the official live red carpet show airing at 6:30 p.m. EST/3:30 p.m. PST.

"We are thrilled and honored to have the incomparable Conan O'Brien host the Oscars this year," said Kramer and Yang. "He is the perfect person to help lead our global celebration of film with his brilliant humor, his love of movies, and his live TV expertise. His remarkable ability to connect with audiences will bring viewers together to do what the Oscars do best — honor the spectacular films and filmmakers of this year."

"America demanded it, and now it's happening: Taco Bell's new Cheesy Chalupa Supreme. In other news, I'm hosting the Oscars," said O'Brien.

"Conan is a preeminent comedic voice whose decades-long success is marked by his distinctive humor and perspective," said Craig Erwich, president, Disney Television Group. "He joins an iconic roster of comedy greats who have served in this role, and we are so lucky to have him center stage for the Oscars."

"Conan has all the qualities of a great Oscars host — he is incredibly witty, charismatic and funny and has proven himself to be a master of live event television," said Oscars executive producers Raj Kapoor and Katy Mullan. "We are so looking forward to working with him to deliver a fresh, exciting and celebratory show for Hollywood's biggest night."

O'Brien is best known for hosting the late-night talk shows "Late Night with Conan O'Brien," "The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien" and "Conan." Before his more than two-decade-long hosting career, he served as a writer for "Saturday Night Live" and "The Simpsons." O'Brien currently hosts the podcast "Conan O'Brien Needs a Friend" and recently starred in the 2024 travel show "Conan O'Brien Must Go." He has won five Primetime Emmys and earned 31 nominations for his work.

The 97th Oscars will be held on Sunday, March 2, 2025, at the Dolby® Theatre at Ovation Hollywood and will be televised live on ABC and in more than 200 territories worldwide.

ABOUT THE ACADEMY

The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences is home to a global membership of more than 10,500 of the most accomplished film industry artists and leaders. The Academy recognizes and celebrates all aspects of the arts and sciences of moviemaking through renowned awards for cinematic achievement, including the Oscars®. With the largest film-related collection in the world, the Academy is a leader in the fields of conservation, preservation and exhibition of film-related objects and materials. Through its Academy Museum of Motion Pictures, the Academy presents powerful exhibitions, screenings and programs about cinema's past, present, and future. The Academy also inspires young artists and creates opportunities for underrepresented communities to engage with the film world. Across all initiatives, the Academy connects global audiences – its members, the film industry, and film fans – through their shared passion for making and watching films.

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