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The chart-topping rappers DaBaby and Megan Thee Stallion each scored seven BET Award nominations for the show airing live on June 27 in Los Angeles. (AP Photos)

Top BET Award Nominations

(AP) — Megan Thee Stallion and DaBaby are the prom queen and king of the 2021 BET Awards, airing live on June 27 from the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles.

The chart-topping rappers each scored seven nominations for the show. Megan Thee Stallion, who won three Grammys this year, is up for best female hip-hop artist,

album of the year for “Good News” and video of the year for “WAP,” her No. 1 hit with Cardi B. The “Savage” rapper is also a double nominee for both the viewer’s choice award and best collaboration.

DaBaby has four songs competing for best collaboration: “Rockstar” with Roddy Ricch; “For the Night” with Pop Smoke and Lil

Baby; “Cry Baby” with Megan Thee Stallion; and “What’s Poppin” with Lil Wayne, Tory Lanez and Jack Harlow. He’s also nominated for best male hip-hop artist, the viewer’s choice award and album of the year for “Blame It on Baby.”

Drake and Cardi B are the second-most nominated acts, scoring five bids each.



Grammy Award-winning recording artist, Brandy, poses in front of Sleeping Beauty Castle in Disneyland Park in Anaheim, Calif. to celebrate the release of her new song “Starting Now” which is the anthem of The Walt Disney Company’s Ultimate Princess Celebration. (Photo by Christian Thompson/Disneyland Resort)

Brandy Celebrates New Song

Brandy made history back in 1997 when she became the first Black ‘Cinderella’ in the 1997 TV adaptation of ‘Rodgers & Hammerstein’s Cinderella,’ but now the Grammy winner has come full cir-

cle by lending her voice to Disney’s ‘Ultimate Princess Celebration.’

Brandy marked the occasion during the Memorial Day holiday weekend by visiting Disneyland to release her new song “Starting

Now” which is the anthem of The Walt Disney Company’s Ultimate Princess Celebration, spotlighting the courage and kindness that Disney heroines inspire in fans around the world.



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