**BMI CELEBRATES ITS TOP COMPOSERS
AT THE 36TH ANNUAL BMI FILM, TV & VISUAL MEDIA AWARDS**

**TYLER BATES, HILDUR GUÐNADÓTTIR, ATLI ÖRVARSSON, MAC QUAYLE AND
BRIAN TYLER LEAD WITH MULTIPLE AWARDS**

***Legendary Composer Mike Post Honored with a BMI Spotlight Award to Celebrate His Work on the Longest Running Drama in TV History, Law & Order: SVU***

**LOS ANGELES, CA (June 15, 2020)-** Today, [**BMI (Broadcast Music, Inc®)**](http://www.bmi.com) announced its **36th annual Film, TV & Visual Media Awards** celebrating the top-performing composers in film, TV and visual media of the previous year.  The honorees were revealed across BMI’s social media and digital platforms, which features a selection of notable composers including multiple award winners **Tyler Bates**, **Hildur Guðnadóttir**, **Atli Örvarsson**, **Mike Post**, **Mac Quayle** and **Brian Tyler**,among many others. To honor the achievements of these top composers, BMI created a [**special page on its website**](https://www.bmi.com/filmtv2020) where fans can watch exclusive video content and learn more about the composers behind the top-grossing films, top network television series and highest-ranking cable network and streamed media programs.

“Music is such an integral part of our favorite films and television shows, and our composers’ stellar musical contributions have never been more important or appreciated,” said **Doreen Ringer-Ross, Vice President, Creative Relations, BMI**. “This year’s group of honorees showcases the creative versatility within this genre and celebrates the very best in music for film, television and visual media. We’re thrilled to recognize BMI’s talented community of composers and look forward to celebrating together in person next year.”

Icelandic composer **Atli Örvarsson** received the most awards this year with a total of five crystals for his work on popular NBC franchises *Chicago P.D., Chicago Med,* and *Chicago Fire,* as well as the CBS crime dramas *FBI* and *FBI Most Wanted*. **Örvarsson n**ow has a career total of 23 BMI awards among his arsenal of accolades.**Brian Tyler**, **Mac Quayle** and **Tyler Bates** were also multiple award winners with three apiece. **Tyler** was recognized for scoring the popular CBS drama series *Hawaii Five-0,* 80’s reboot *Magnum P.I.,* and Paramount network’s *Yellowstone,* markinghis 31st, 32nd and 33rd BMI Film, TV & Visual Media awards since joining BMI in 2010.**Quayle** was honored for his work on the Fox drama series *9-1-1* and its breakout spinoff *9-1-1: Lone Star,* as well as FX’s *American Horror Story*, while **Bates** was honored for his music in the blockbuster films *Fast & Furious Presents: Hobbs & Shaw and John Wick: Chapter 3 – Parabellum* and *The Punisher* on Netflix, bringing his career total to 14 BMI awards.

*Joker* composer, **Hildur** **Guðnadóttir**, made Oscar history this year by becoming the first solo female to win Best Original Score for a dramatic composition. She then went on to amass several additional accolades including a BAFTA, Critics' Choice, Golden Globe and GRAMMY Award. This marks the multiple award-winning composer’s first BMI Film Award. A second BMI crystal was presented to her as well in special recognition of her historic Academy Award win for the haunting score.

Celebrated composer **Mike Post** received a BMI TV Award for his work on *Magnum P.I.* and
a **BMI Spotlight Award** in recognition of his renowned work on the longest running drama in TV history, ***Law & Order: SVU***. Over his unparalleled career spanning more than four decades, the multiple GRAMMY and Emmy-winning composer has racked up an impressive 55 BMI TV Awards, making him the most successful composer in BMI television history. Other iconic series that have been enriched by Post’s musical magic include *L.A. Law; Law & Order; NYPD Blue; Hill Street Blues; The A-Team; Doogie Howser, MD*; *Murder One*; *Quantum Leap* and *Wiseguy,* among others.

BMI welcomed an elite group of 12 first-time BMI Film, TV & Visual Media Awards honorees. In addition toGuðnadóttir, new inductees for BMI Film Music awards, include **Anna** **Drubich** for *Scary Stories to Tell in The Dark* and **Nate Heller** for *A Beautiful Day in The Neighborhood*. For streaming media, first-timers include **Chris Westlake** for Hulu’s *Castle Rock*, **Dominik Scherrer** (PRS) for *The Widow,* **Sonya Belousova** for Amazon Studio’s *The Romanoffs*, **Nicolas Barry, Rene Garza** **Aldape** and **Tomas Jacobi** for *Paradise PD,* and **Robert ToTeras** for Netflix’s *Sugar Rush*.Rounding out the freshmen class are **Alex Shenkman** for his musical contributions on NBC’s drama series *New Amsterdam* and **Niki Hexum** for her work on the cable comedy series *Henry Danger* on Nickelodeon.

Other prominent composers honored include **Alexandre Desplat**, **Blake Neely,** **Danny Elfman,** **Kris Bowers**, **Nathan Barr, Ramin Djawadi** and **Thomas Newman**, among many others.

For more information and a complete list of 2020 BMI Film, TV & Visual Media Awards winners visit <https://www.bmi.com/filmtv2020> and to join the conversation, use #BMIFilmTVAwards on [Twitter](https://twitter.com/bmi) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/bmi/) (@BMI) – and stay connected through [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/broadcastmusicinc).

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