**RITA ORA AND TAIKA WAITITI TO HOST “MTV EMAs” 2022**

**LIVE FROM DÜSSELDORF, GERMANY ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13th**

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**NEW YORK/DÜSSELDORF**- **OCT. 25, 2022**- MTV today confirmed award-winning global superstar **Rita Ora** and Academy Award®-winning and GRAMMY Award-winning writer, director, and actor **Taika Waititi**will host the**“MTV EMAs” 2022**, broadcasting live from Düsseldorf, Germany on Sunday, November 13th.

“We’re excited to host this year’s MTV EMAs and celebrate the best musicians and performances from around the world,” said **Rita Ora and Taika Waititi**. “We look forward to sharing the evening with all of these talented artists.”

Added Ora, “I’m thrilled to be back hosting, and sharing the stage with Taika makes it all the more special. We’ve got it all at this year’s EMAs, fun surprises, fantastic fashion, comedy, and above all amazing music! We can’t wait for audiences to share these moments with us.”

“Rita Ora is a long-time MTV/EMA favorite and together with the multi-talented Taika Waititi, we’re absolutely certain this powerhouse duo will set the stage for one electrifying night of global music celebration,” said **Bruce Gillmer, President of Music, Music Talent, Programming and Events at Paramount, and Chief Content Officer of Music for Paramount+**.

Rita Ora is an international critically acclaimed singer-songwriter with 10 billion world-wide streams, four #1 UK singles and holds the record for the most Top 10 singles for a British female artist in the UK in history with a total of 13. Ora is currently working on her third album, which is set for release in 2023. Her upcoming work follows previously releases, *Bang* with GRAMMY-winning Kazakh DJ and record producer Imanbek, and*Phoenix*, which has amassed over 4 billion streams worldwide, spawned 3 platinum singles and includes “Lonely Together,” her collaboration with Avicii which won “Best Dance” VMA at the MTV Video Music Awards. In addition, her debut album *Ora*debuted at #1 on the UK charts and was certified platinum.

Ora previously hosted the EMA’s in 2017, where she received several nominations and was honored with the “Power of Music Award.” As a multi-talented industry leader across TV, culture and fashion, with brand partnerships across key sectors, she launched Próspero Tequila with Conecuh Brands, where she serves as Chief Creative Partner. Her film and television credits include the *Fifty Shades of Grey*franchise, *POKÉMON Detective Pikachu*, *Twist*, The Masked Singer UK, The Voice Australia, and The X-Factor UK. Most recently, Ora starred in the Netflix series *Kung Fu Panda: The Dragon Knight*, and was cast alongside Jamie Foxx and Robert De Niro in the upcoming film *Tin Soldier.*

Taika Waititi is an Academy Award®-winning writer, director, and actor. His film *Jojo Rabbit* received six Oscar® nominations, including Best Picture, and earned him an Oscar® for Best Adapted Screenplay. The film was also nominated for a Golden Globe® for Best Motion Picture Musical or Comedy and won a GRAMMY Award for Best Compilation Soundtrack for Visual Media. Most recently, Waititi directed and co-wrote the highly anticipated film *Thor: Love and Thunder,*now streaming on Disney+. Previous credits include the blockbuster *Thor: Ragnarok*, as well as beloved indie films *Hunt for the Wilderpeople*, *What We Do in the Shadows*, *Boy*, and the Oscar®-nominated short film *Two Cars, One Night*. He executive produced through his production company with Carthew Neal, Piki Films, *The Breaker Uppers*, *Baby, Done*, and the first Indigenous Canadian/New Zealand co-production, *Night Raiders*. Waititi is currently in post-production on Searchlight Pictures’ *Next Goal Wins*, which he wrote, directed, and produced, based on the 2015 documentary of the same name. For television, Waititi is in production on *Time Bandits* for Apple TV+ and season two of fan favorite *Our Flag Means Death.* Waititi is the co-creator and executive producer of the Indigenous American teen comedy *Reservation Dogs* for FX, for which he co-wrote the first episode with co-creator Sterlin Harjo. The series won the 2021 Gotham Award for Short-Form Breakthrough Series and the 2022 Independent Spirit Award for Best New Scripted Series, as well as earned nominations for this year’s Critic’s Choice Awards, Golden Globe Awards®, and Writers Guild of America Awards. Additionally, Waititi directed the season one finale of *The Mandalorian* for Disney+, in which he also voices "IG-11,” and serves as executive producer on the critically acclaimed TV adaptation of *What We Do in the Shadows*, for which he’s directed several episodes.

The “MTV EMAs” 2022 will broadcast live on MTV in more than 170 countries and on Pluto TV in select territories across the US, Latin America and Europe and Comedy Central in Germany on November 13th. It will be available on Paramount+ and Pluto TV globally beginning November 14th.

Fans can vote for their favorites across 17 gender-neutral categories, including “Best Song,” “Best Artist,” “Best Collaboration,” and two all-new categories “Best Longform Video” and “Best Metaverse Performance,” at [www.mtvema.com](http://www.mtvema.com) until November 9th, at 11:59pm CET.

The “MTV EMAs” 2022 is sponsored by Paramount+.

**ABOUT THE MTV EMAs**

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For artwork, press assets and further information please visit press.mtvema.com. To stay in tune with all things EMA, follow the show on Instagram, Twitter, TikTok and Facebook and follow the social conversation using #MTVEMA @MTVEMA.

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