FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER THE IMDb LIVE-STREAMING OSCARS COMPANION SHOW WILL BROADCAST FROM THE LEGENDARY ELTON JOHN AIDS FOUNDATION ACADEMY AWARDS VIEWING PARTY

The IMDb Oscars Companion Show Will Offer Viewers Unprecedented Access to Elton John’s Legendary, Star-Studded Event; Co-Hosts Aisha Tyler and Dave Karger Join Celebrity Guests to Talk About the Evening’s Biggest Wins and Surprises in Real Time

“IMDb LIVE at the Elton John AIDS Foundation Academy Awards Viewing Party” will Broadcast Live on IMDb.com, IMDb Mobile Apps, Amazon.com, Twitch, and Twitter Beginning at 4:30PM Pacific on Sunday, February 24

Los Angeles, CA — February 20, 2019 — IMDb (www.imdb.com), the world’s most popular and authoritative source for movie, TV and celebrity content, will host its third annual LIVE Oscars streaming companion show from inside Elton John’s legendary annual Oscars viewing party in West Hollywood, marking the first time a media outlet has ever had the opportunity to broadcast from inside the event. “IMDb LIVE at the Elton John AIDS Foundation Academy Awards® Viewing Party” will be co-hosted by actress/director Aisha Tyler and IMDb Special Correspondent Dave Karger and provide millions of fans and industry insiders with unique, entertaining and informative coverage of Hollywood’s biggest night. The five-hour live-streaming show will include a mix of celebrity interviews with party guests, fun facts and trivia, winner updates, social media highlights, pre-taped video segments from the Oscars Nominee Luncheon, interview clips from the Oscars red-carpet, and an insider’s look from within one of the hottest parties in town.

The LIVE show broadcast will begin at 4:30PM Pacific on Sunday, February 24, providing viewers with a uniquely fun and informative perspective on the Academy Awards. The live broadcast will also integrate IMDb information and proprietary, real-time trending data from IMDb and IMDbPro, comments and questions from users on Twitter and Twitch, and pre-produced segments including interviews with 2019 Academy Award nominees including Richard E. Grant, Alfonso Cuarón and more.

“We are committed to providing entertainment fans with the most insightful and extensive coverage of leading entertainment industry events, and this year there is no better place to do it than from inside one of the most exclusive celebrity parties of the season,” said Col Needham, IMDb Founder and CEO. “We are thrilled that IMDb LIVE will give users across the globe an inside view of the incredible Elton John AIDS Foundation event, while raising awareness for an important cause and providing all of the information and real-time updates fans crave on Hollywood’s biggest night.”

"We are delighted to have IMDb as a presenting sponsor at our most important fundraising event of the year,” said David Furnish, Chairman of EJAF. “Their participation brings extra excitement to this fantastic evening and offers us an amazing opportunity to connect with a wider audience and share the important work that we do."

Hosted coverage during the IMDb LIVE broadcast will take place before, after, and during breaks in the Oscars telecast. IMDb does not broadcast the awards ceremony itself – while the program is in progress, the hosted conversation stops and IMDb delivers a “second screen” experience featuring videos, information and IMDb and IMDbPro trivia related to the Oscar nominees currently being celebrated.

Entertainment fans can tune in from anywhere to watch “IMDb LIVE at the Elton John AIDS Foundation Academy Awards Viewing Party” via IMDb mobile apps or directly at IMDb (www.imdb.com). The IMDb LIVE show will also be simulcast on Twitter and Twitch (http://twitch.tv/imdb). Twitter’s live stream of the broadcast will be available globally for free to logged-in and logged-out users on Twitter and connected devices. Tweets about the #Oscars will appear in a timeline along with the live video on Twitter, available at Twitter.com/IMDb or @IMDb. The broadcast on Twitch gives users the opportunity to participate in a real-time chat with an IMDb moderator throughout the evening, with some questions and comments to be addressed by hosts and guests during the show. Additionally, viewers can stream the event on Amazon Live (https://www.amazon.com/live), which will highlight shoppable items inspired by the show. Eligible purchases can benefit the Elton John AIDS Foundation when shopping through Amazon Smile (https://smile.amazon.com/).

IMDb editorial coverage of the 91st Academy Awards will also include real-time winner announcements, trivia quizzes, photo galleries and more. Coverage will be available at https://www.imdb.com/oscars/.
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About Elton John AIDS Foundation
At EJAF, we believe AIDS can be beaten. We act on that belief by raising funds for evidence-based programs and policies, and also by speaking out with honesty and compassion about the realities of people’s lives. Elton John created the Foundation in 1992. Over the last quarter century, through hard work and with the help of our network of kind and generous friends and supporters, the Foundation has raised more than $400 million globally to combat stigma, prevent infections, provide treatment services, and motivate governments to end AIDS. This work has reached millions of people in Africa, Asia, Europe, and across the United States. Join us in speaking out, taking action, and contributing to our efforts to achieve a world without AIDS. For more information, please visit www.ejaf.org.

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