



## **ACTOR, COMEDIAN CHRIS HARDWICK TO HOST THE 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL STREAMY AWARDS**

*The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Streamy Awards Presented by Coca-Cola Will Be Streamed Live For Viewers Worldwide on February 17, 2013 from The Hollywood Palladium*

*TICKETS NOW AVAILABLE AT [WWW.STREAMYS.ORG/TICKETS](http://WWW.STREAMYS.ORG/TICKETS)*

SANTA MONICA, CA (January 17, 2013) — dick clark productions, inc. and Tubefilter announced today that actor and comedian Chris Hardwick will host the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Streamy Awards, honoring excellence in original online video programming and those who create it.

As creator of The Nerdlist, a podcast, website and BBC America TV series, Chris Hardwick has become the leading authority on nerd culture. Currently, he is hosting AMC's first live after-show *Talking Dead*, following the highly-rated zombie drama *Walking Dead*. Hardwick is also a contributing writer for *Wired* magazine, in addition to being an established stand-up comic with nearly 15 years of experience. Hardwick first gained popularity as the co-host of MTV's hit dating show *Singled Out*.

"Don't tell television, but there is some SUPERIOR programming being made on the Interwebz," stated Chris Hardwick. "I am honored to help give the Web community, many of whom are my friends, the accolades they deserve. Also, the show is going to be breezy and fun. I think the Streamys could be a new Tonys! DO YOU HEAR ME NPH?!"

Streamy Awards Executive Producer Barry Adelman and Producer Assaf Blecher jointly stated, "Chris Hardwick's proven hosting abilities and comedic talent make him an ideal fit to host this year's show. Being such an influential force in pop culture and a powerful online presence, he truly resonates with our audience."

This year's Streamy Awards nominees (<http://www.streamys.org/nominees>), demonstrate the merging of talent from new media and traditional media in the online video space. The event also provides a unique platform for fans to see Chris and all of their favorite creators in person. Tickets for the show can be purchased at <http://www.streamys.org/tickets>. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Streamy Awards Presented by Coca-Cola will be streamed live on February 17, 2013 from the Hollywood Palladium.

To apply for press credentials to cover the Streamy Awards, please go to:  
<http://www.streamys.org/press/media-credentials/>

For additional information, please visit [www.streamys.org](http://www.streamys.org).

### **About the Streamy Awards**

Created in 2008 by Drew Baldwin and Joshua Cohen, along with leaders from the digital entertainment industry, the Streamy Awards is devoted to honoring excellence in original online video programming

and those who create it. The annual event brings together the leading creative talent from the online entertainment industry. Visit [www.streamys.org](http://www.streamys.org) and follow @streamys on Twitter.

#### **About Chris Hardwick**

Chris Hardwick is a well-known comic, actor, writer, producer and composer. He is a writer for *Wired* magazine and is the face of AMC's first live after show *Talking Dead*, which airs as a platform to discuss the network's highly rated show *The Walking Dead*. In 2008, Chris founded Nerdist, a website and podcast devoted to all things nerd related. Nerdist then merged with GeekChicDaily to form Nerdist Industries with Hardwick serving as Founder & Chief Creative Officer. Their online presence includes a website at Nerdist.com, a YouTube channel, the Nerdist News daily e-newsletters, nearly 1.8 million Twitter fans and a podcast network including the flagship Nerdist Podcast which is also produced as a TV show on BBC America. Nerdist hosts live events such as The *Nerdist Podcast Live!* and Course of the Force, an annual Comic-Con lightsaber relay in partnership with Lucasfilm LTD. Chris has also been featured in a one-hour Comedy Central stand-up special Chris Hardwick: Mandroid. To learn more visit <http://www.nerdist.com/about/>.

#### **About dick clark productions, inc.**

Founded in 1957, dick clark productions, inc. (DCP) is a leading independent producer of television programming. DCP produces perennial hits such as the "American Music Awards," "Golden Globe Awards," "Academy of Country Music Awards," and "Dick Clark's New Year's Rockin' Eve with Ryan Seacrest." DCP also produces popular weekly television programming, including "So You Think You Can Dance," and owns and maintains one of the world's most unique and extensive entertainment libraries, which includes more than 30 years of "American Bandstand" footage. Visit [www.dickclark.com](http://www.dickclark.com) and follow @dclarkp on Twitter.

#### **About Tubefilter**

Tubefilter is the leading digital entertainment media company covering the online video industry and is the definitive source for industry news, reviews, and industry events. Properties include: Tubefilter News, the authority for online video industry and leading source for web series news and reviews; Tubefilter Meetups, an event series where online video professionals gather to hear expert panel discussions and meet other advertisers, executives, and content creators; and the Streamy Awards, a star-studded awards show honoring excellence in online video programming. Visit [www.tubefilter.com](http://www.tubefilter.com) and follow @tubefilter on Twitter.

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