

MYKAL KILGORE IS FIRST OPENLY GAY ARTIST TO BE NOMINATED IN THE GRAMMYS BEST TRADITIONAL R&B PERFORMANCE CATEGORY

Singer's First Release "Let Me Go" Earns Best Traditional R&B Performance Nomination for the 63rd GRAMMYs

Los Angeles, CA (November 24th, 2020) - Singer, songwriter, artist and activist Mykal Kilgore has made history as the first openly gay, male artist to earn a nomination in the GRAMMY's Best Traditional R&B category. Kilgore received the nomination for his single, "Let Me Go", which is the first release from his debut album, A Man Born Black. This is Mykal's first GRAMMY nomination. The live show is scheduled for Sunday, January 31st on CBS.

"I am overwhelmed with joy to be counted amongst these incredible artists and to represent the male sound of R&B in this category," said Kilgore. The Orlando native is also an awardwinning Broadway performer, passionate community activist and well-recognized music influencer.

A Man Born Black is the debut release from Mykal Kilgore and indie label, Affective Music. "To be recognized with a GRAMMY® nomination for our first release is beyond my wildest dream. I am incredibly grateful to Mykal, Jamison Ross, the Affective Music team and the Recording Academy," said Affective Music CEO, David S. Hargrett. The album also netted Mykal an NAACP Image Awards® nomination for Outstanding New Artist.

On A Man Born Black, Mykal wields his expertise as a multifaceted performer and songwriter to steal hearts yet again, as he masterfully tells the story of a man navigating American life - an experience Kilgore himself embodies. "I tried to write songs that helped express the truth of myself -- the pretty and the ugly. I wanted people to see a whole human being, not a stereotype or a picture-perfect image - something true to myself. I wanted to speak about the world that I actually live in," said Kilgore.

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Mykal Kilgore - Let Me Go (Official Video): https://youtu.be/u6BpSBC8mFc

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