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### Canadian Urban DJs Get Props With New Awards Show

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The Stylus Group, a Canadian organization created to "recognize, develop and represent the urban DJs of Canada," have organized what they claim is the country's first-ever national DJ awards show.



The Stylus DJ Awards, which will take place on May 29 at Toronto's York Event Theatre, were created by Flavor Record Pool founder **Mike Zafiris** to acknowledge the achievements of DJs, musicians and record labels while raising awareness of the thriving urban music scene in Canada and around the world.

Winners and nominees are decided via online voting by industry experts, including these DJs: **J-Swing** (Vancouver), **Beat Matrix** (Calgary), **Starting From Scratch** (Toronto) and **Kwite Sane** (Montreal). There are 24 award categories, including club DJ, college radio hip-hop DJ and turntablist of the year, while the top DJs in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal and Halifax will also be honoured. The list of nominees will be posted on the awards show's [website](#) in April.

FLOW 93.5 Toronto's **Mark Strong** and **Dr. Jay** will host the show. Montreal DJ **Butcher T** and **Sunshine Crew**, Toronto's first party crew to incorporate two DJs and one MC, will be inducted into the Canadian Hall Of Fame. Various DJs will supply the music for the show, which will also feature live performances.

—**Phil Villeneuve**