



## **Burna Boy, Michelle Obama, others nominated for 2020 Grammy Awards**

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### **NIGERIA: -**

Several African icons including Nigeria's popstar Burna Boy, South African comedian Trevor Noah, Beninese legendary artist, Angélique Kidjo and the deceased Eritrean-American rapper Nipsey Hussle were nominated for the 2020 Grammy Awards.

The awards, which will be handed out on January 26 next year, in Los Angeles, in a ceremony hosted by Alicia Keys. They are considered the highest honors in the music industry.

Trevor Noah, who hosts American popular satire show, the Daily Show was nominated in the Best Comedy Album category, for his work on 'Son of Patricia' while former U.S first lady, Michelle Obama" was nominated in the Best Spoken Word Album category, for her book Becoming.

Burna Boy's 'African Giant' album on the other hand was nominated for the award of 'Best World Music Album', alongside Angélique Kidjo's 'Celia'. Kidjo is a three-time Grammy winner.

Nipsey Hussle, who was shot dead earlier this year at age 33, received three posthumous nominations. The much-loved rapper celebrated in Eritrea, Ethiopia and across the African continent lost the 2019 prize for Best Rap

Album to Cardi B.

Nigerian artist Mr. Eazi is nominated for his work on J Balvin and Bad Bunny's Oasis while he is also jointly nominated along with Wizkid, Tiwa Savage, Yemi Alade and Shatta Wale for their work on Beyonce's The Lion King: The Gift album.

The biggest winners from the nomination list released on Wednesday are pop star, Lizzo with eight nods, followed by 17-year-old alt-pop sensation Billie Eilish and country rapper Lil Nas X with six apiece.