

The Ohio Hip Hop Awards

The BET Awards, The Grammy Awards, Oscar Awards, and Actor Guilds Awards. All anticipated and huge events. There's a new event to add to the line up; The Ohio Hip Hop Awards. This past weekend the 3rd Ohio Hip Hop Awards made a mark in Ohio history. Bringing all aspects of the music and entertainment world to one building, to see who fans voted as the best in each category. Preceding the event filled weekend, months before, there were showcases in all the major cities, Akron, Dayton, Cincinnati, Columbus, Toledo, Youngstown, and Cleveland, artists were given a chance to perform, and the best battle rappers of each city were picked, to perform for the title of Best EMCEE.

Even at the Ohio Hip Hop Awards Pre-Party, it was a night to remember. NEXT Urban Gear put on an AWESOME fashion show. Redbull represented for the V.I.P. Lounge that night. The seven finalists from the EMCEE Battle Rap competition were narrowed down to two. Even representatives from MTV were there to add to the nights event.

Trillvision, Future Noise Sound, Ozone Magazine, and Intro Magazine were just some of the media that filmed the evenings occurrences for the entire weekend. Even some major record labels sent representatives to check out the artists, such as Interscope, Def Jam, Asylum, Koch, Motown, SMC, and Kedar Entertainment. On the red carpet, Trillvision interviewed attendees. Gone was the usual hip hop casual gear, as everyone was dressed to the nines in their formal wear.

The well anticipated Ohio Hip Hop Awards was jam packed with a powerful line-up. With a huge crowd, filling the Cleveland Convention Center. With artists performing live, such as Tugun Cannon, Cali Miles, Proph the Problem, Mz. Skittlez, Yung Millionaires, and Gotta Husle Entertainment, just to name a few, the stage stayed hot with talent! The OHHA didn't just focus on music, though. Important awards such as the Daymon Mumford Hip Hop Humanitarian Award was given to Bill "Silver B" Richards, a very well known member of the music world in Ohio.

Now here comes the well anticipated question: Who was in charge of this great awards show? The men behind the scenes were, Quincy Taylor, of In-The-Way Marketing, D. Lorand, of ESP Enterprises, Derrick Majestic McKenzie, of Greater Cleveland Basketball Association, and Garbs Infinite, of Pandemik Records. Months of planning went into this event, and truly, they have plenty to show for all of their hard work! Events for the 2009 Ohio Hip Hop Awards have already begun, so if you missed the 2008 OHHA, make certain you are at 2009 OHHA, cause it will be another event for Ohio history.