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## **The T.J. Martell Foundation Names Mike Dungan the 2016 Ambassador of the Year**

**(NASHVILLE, TN) --- May 2, 2016-** The **Wild West Comedy Festival** and the **T.J. Martell Foundation** will join forces to present the 3rd Annual “**Ambassador of the Year**” Roast.

The Roast kicks off the week-long festival by bringing comedy and philanthropy together. The **Wild West Comedy Festival** presented by Bud Light, in association with Netflix, powered by Sirius XM runs May 16 – 22 for its third year. The line-up features some of the biggest names and rising stars in comedy who will be performing at iconic venues and clubs around Nashville.

This year’s Roast celebrates the career achievements of music executive **Mike Dungan**, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Universal Music Group Nashville with a “toast & roast” at its **Ambassador of the Year** (aka Bad-A\$\$ of the Year) event. The celebration will take place at **Zanies** on **Monday May 16<sup>th</sup>**. Doors open at 5 pm and the fun begins at 6 pm.

The “roster of roasters” confirmed thus far include Dierks Bentley, Jay Williams (partner at William Morris Endeavor Entertainment), sons Chris & Ben Dungan, Royce Risser (Sr. VP Promotion, Universal Music Group, Nashville) and a bevy of other surprise speakers.

The annual **T.J. Martell Foundation’s “Ambassador of the Year”** event recognizes an individual who has risen to the top of their field through commitment, dedication and perseverance. This recognition is presented to a skilled and gifted professional who has earned the respect of seasoned industry veterans and serves as a mentor to the next generation of rising young executives who are following in their footsteps.

**Tables and tickets are going fast! To reserve one of the few remaining, please visit [www.tjmartell.org](http://www.tjmartell.org) or call 615-256-2002 or email [tmoffat@tjmartell.org](mailto:tmoffat@tjmartell.org).**

### **About the T.J. Martell Foundation**

The T.J. Martell Foundation is a national organization founded by the music industry, whose mission is to fund innovative leukemia, cancer and AIDS research at flagship hospitals in the United States. To learn more about the T.J. Martell Foundation, please visit [www.tjmartell.org](http://www.tjmartell.org).

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**Mike Dungan**

Chairman & CEO UMG, Nashville

**Mon. May 16, 2016**

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