



Beat Bugs Scores Emmy Nominations

Beat Bugs - from creator, Josh Wakely and seen globally on Netflix and backed as an original investor and partner by Seven Network Australia – has scored significant recognition with five nominations in this year's Daytime Emmy Awards in the United States.

Seven Network partnered with Wakely's company, Grace: A Storytelling Company, as the original investor and broadcast partner for Beat Bugs which features some of the most well-known Beatles songs woven into the narrative of each episode, with Eddie Vedder, P!nk, James Bay, Sia, Robbie Williams, The Shins, Of Monsters and Men, Chris Cornell, Regina Spektor, Tori Kelly, Aloe Black, Frances, James Corden, Jennifer Hudson, Chris Cornell, and Rod Stewart each recording their rendition of an iconic song. Among the 52 11-minute episodes, songs featured include *Help!*, *Lucy In the Sky with Diamonds*, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*, and *Magical Mystery Tour*.

Commenting, Josh Wakely, said: "I am so grateful for this recognition. We had the privilege of bringing The Beatles songs to a new generation through a show that Seven and Netflix passionately believed in, and I thank the entire Beat Bugs team of extraordinary craftspeople and artists."

Commenting, Therese Hegarty, Seven's Director, Content Distribution & Rights, said: "These nominations add to the huge regard in which we hold our partnership with Josh and his team on the Beat Bugs project. Josh promised a creative vision that Seven was excited to support and he has delivered an extraordinary series to the global market that we are proud to be associated with."

Beat Bugs is nominated in five categories for this year's Daytime Emmy Awards in the United States.

- Outstanding Writing in a Preschool Animated Program
- Outstanding Directing in a Preschool Animated Program
- Outstanding Main Title and Graphic Designer
- Outstanding Sound Mixing - Preschool Animated Program
- Outstanding Sound Editing – Preschool Animated Program

Grace: A Storytelling Company (Grace), Thunderbird Beyond Screen Production and Seven Network Australia joined together to bring to life Beat Bugs from creator Josh Wakely, who directs, writes and produces the series. The series is marketed worldwide by Beyond Distribution. Beat Bugs incorporates compositions from the Northern Songs catalogue administered by Sony/ATV Music Publishing. The series tells uplifting and life-affirming stories filled with hope and melody. World-leading artists, animators and writers have come together to work on this extraordinary show.