# Hosted by Hannah Waddingham, Third Earthshot Prize Awards to Feature Special Appearances from Bastille, Cate Blanchett, Lana Condor, Robert Irwin, Nomzamo Mbatha, and OneRepublic

The Earthshot Prize's annual ceremony will be broadcast globally from Singapore and will reveal the Winners of five catalytic £1 million awards

**October 27, 2023** – Today, The Earthshot Prize announced the presenter and performer line-up for its third awards ceremony, a night of extraordinary storytelling and performances to celebrate the work of global climate entrepreneurs and spotlight the creativity and innovation of Singapore and Southeast Asia.

The ceremony, held in Singapore on Tuesday 7 November, will reveal the five Winners of The Earthshot Prize. The event will be broadcast on BBC in the United Kingdom, PBS in the United States, various MultiChoice channels across Africa, Mediacorp's Channel 5, mewatch and Mediacorp YouTube Entertainment Channel in Singapore, and on The Earthshot Prize's YouTube channel in other territories around the world. For U.S. viewers the program will premiere Sunday, Nov. 12 at 7 p.m. ET on PBS (check local listings), PBS.org and the PBS App.

Emmy Award winner **Hannah Waddingham** will host, spotlighting the incredible stories and inspiring solutions of this year's 15 Earthshot Prize Finalists.

Stars including Academy Award-winning actor and Earthshot Prize Council Member **Cate Blanchett**, actor **Lana Condor**, wildlife conservationist **Robert Irwin**, and actor and humanitarian **Nomzamo Mbatha** will announce the Winners of The Earthshot Prize. Each Prize Winner will be awarded £1 million to help scale their solutions and accelerate their positive impact on people, communities, and the planet.

In addition to spotlighting the stories of The Earthshot Prize Finalists and Winners, the broadcast will feature inspirational performances from some of the world's most exciting musical artists, including **Bastille**, **OneRepublic**, and more to be announced. Singaporean choral society, **Voices of Singapore**, will also join the broadcast for a special performance.

**HRH The Prince of Wales** will also deliver remarks to celebrate the work of this year's Earthshot Prize Finalists and deliver an urgent message of hope and optimism.

**Hannah Waddingham** said: "I am absolutely thrilled to be hosting this year's Earthshot Prize Awards in Singapore. The work of the 2023 Prize Finalists is a hopeful reminder of the power of optimism, innovation, and human ingenuity. It is an enormous honor to be joining forces with The Prince of Wales for this exciting evening and to play a part in sharing the Finalists' inspiring stories and solutions with the world."

Cate Blanchett said, "The Earthshot Prize is, again, highlighting and incentivizing courageous, progressive, and inventive solutions that can be rapidly upscaled. We don't have time for inaction and despair, and the incredible climate solutions from around the globe are cause for genuine hope. The climate solutions showcased by the prize are wildly exciting – exciting because they are so simple, so possible, and so inevitable. The solutions are game-changing, and like all truly game-changing ideas, they have a strange 'how could we not have thought and implemented this before?!' quality. I am proud to be a small part of unveiling the Winners."

BBC, PBS, and MultiChoice will once again serve as the exclusive broadcast homes for The Earthshot Prize Awards. The Earthshot Prize 2023 is produced by long-term partners, Studio Silverback, who created the Landmark series The Earthshot Prize – Repairing Our Planet for the BBC in 2021.

Studio Silverback's Executive Producers Jonnie Hughes, Colin Butfield and Elaine Paterson are joined by multi-Bafta award winning Executive Producer and Director, Julia Knowles, who directed the previous two years' Earthshot Prize events. The Commissioning Editor for the BBC is Siobhan Mulholland, and the Executive in Charge for PBS is Bill Gardner. In addition to creating the broadcast event, the production involved filming the stories of the 15 nominees all around the world.

Live coverage from the Green Carpet will be shared across The Earthshot Prize's social channels. As part of The Earthshot Prize's official partnership with YouTube, interviews with talent, Finalists, and Winners will be hosted by content creator and comedian Ayamé.

"As The Earthshot Prize continues to identify the most promising climate and environmental solutions to repair our planet within the decade, I am amazed each year by the support of our friends and partners around the world, including BBC, PBS, MultiChoice, and the performers and presenters who help us tell the stories of our Finalists," said **Hannah Jones, CEO, The Earthshot Prize**. "This global spotlight on our Finalists is critical to grow their impact on our climate and environment. We are thrilled to bring these hopeful stories to audiences around the world from Singapore, an exciting and inspiring global hub for both entertainment and sustainability."

"Highlighting solutions for a fast-changing planet is a priority for us at PBS," said **Paula Kerger**, **President and CEO**, **PBS**. "We're very proud to partner with The Earthshot Prize for the second year in a row, and to help share stories of hope and inspiration with our audiences."

Jack Bootle, Head of Commissioning, Specialist Factual, BBC said, "I'm delighted that we are once again bringing The Earthshot Prize to British viewers. Last year's ceremony was an incredibly inspiring celebration of hope and human ingenuity and I'm sure that this year's, featuring performances from some of the world's most exciting musical artists, will be every bit as spectacular. This is a really important opportunity to showcase the creativity and innovation of those developing solutions to some of our most pressing environmental problems."

"As Africa's largest entertainment company, we take immense pride in our partnership with The Earthshot Prize. With our extensive reach across more than 50 countries and millions of households, we recognise the profound impact we can make. This collaboration empowers us not only to educate communities about climate change but also to inspire innovators, rally fellow corporates, and motivate governments to prioritise climate action in their national agendas. Together, we're lighting the way toward a sustainable future for Africa," said **Imtiaz Patel, MultiChoice Group Chairman**.

Founded by Prince William in 2020, The Earthshot Prize aims to discover and help scale the world's most innovative climate and environmental solutions to protect and restore our planet. The Prize is centered around five 'Earthshots,': simple but aspirational goals to ensure our communities, oceans, and ecosystems can thrive together in harmony for generations to come: 1) Protect & Restore Nature; 2) Clean Our Air; 3) Revive Our Oceans; 4) Build A Waste-free World, and 5) Fix Our Climate.

In addition to their eligibility for the £1 million prize, all Finalists will receive mentorship, resources, and technical support from The Earthshot Prize Fellowship Program, a year-long program for each cohort of 15 Finalists to accelerate the growth of their groundbreaking solutions. That support includes access to the Prize's robust network of influential businesses, investors, and climate experts, including The Earthshot Prize's Global Alliance of Partners, comprised of some of the world's largest businesses, donors, investors, and environmental organizations committed to climate action.

This year, for the first time, the awards ceremony will be accompanied by a series of events as part of Earthshot Week, supported by The Earthshot Prize's strategic partners Temasek Trust, Temasek, GenZero, and Conservation International. The week will see global leaders, businesses, investors, and the public convene in Singapore to explore meaningful opportunities for collaboration and public activations aimed at accelerating climate solutions and bringing about tangible action to repair the planet.

Any media interested in attending and covering Earthshot Week events, including The Earthshot Prize Awards, must apply for credentials by filling out <a href="mailto:this form">this form</a>. Space is limited. Submitting an application does not guarantee you will receive a credential. Please contact <a href="mailto:earthshotprize@fgsglobal.com">earthshotprize@fgsglobal.com</a> with any questions about press access.

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#### **About The Earthshot Prize:**

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Founded by Prince William and incubated in the The Royal Foundation in 2020 for a year before becoming an independent platform/organization, The Earthshot Prize is a global environmental prize and platform designed to discover, accelerate and scale ground-breaking solutions to repair and regenerate the planet. Inspired by President John F. Kennedy's Moonshot, which united millions of people around the goal of reaching the moon, The Earthshot Prize aims to catalyze an Earthshot challenge to urgently encourage and scale innovative solutions that can help put the world firmly on a trajectory towards a stable climate, where

communities, oceans and biodiversity thrive in harmony by 2030. The five challenges are: Protect and Restore Nature; Clean Our Air; Revive Our Oceans; Build a Waste-Free World; and Fix Our Climate.

The Prize aims to turn the current pessimism surrounding environmental issues into optimism by championing inspiring leadership and helping to scale incredible cutting-edge solutions. It will discover 50 winners over 10 years with the power to repair the planet. More than an award, The Earthshot Prize works in partnership with a Global Alliance of Partners to support the scaling of the solutions discovered and selected each year.

The Global Alliance Founding Partners are a group of leading global organizations and philanthropists, which act as strategic funding partners to the Prize, including Aga Khan Development Network, Bezos Earth Fund, Bloomberg Philanthropies, Breakthrough Energy Foundation, Coleman Family Ventures, DP World in partnership with Dubai EXPO 2020, Eleven Eleven Foundation, Holch Povlsen Foundation, Jack Ma Foundation, Law Family Charitable Foundation, Legado Para A Juventude, Mastercard Center for Inclusive Growth, Marc and Lynne Benioff, Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, Rob Walton Foundation, Sandy and Paul Edgerley, Standard Chartered Bank, and Wyc Grousbeck and Emilia Fazzalari.

Global Alliance Partners are non-profit environment and sustainable development organizations that bring expertise, global reach and serve as nominating organizations each year. For full list see website: Global Alliance - Earthshot Prize.

Global Alliance Members are some of the world's largest and most influential companies and brands that will support The Earthshot Prize, implement ambitious changes within their businesses and accelerate the advancement of the solutions of Prize Finalists and Winners.

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