Lionel wins 6 'outrageous'

LIONEL RICHIE holds the six American Music Awards he won Monday during ceremonies held in Los Angeles. Richie's total fell one short of the record seven set last year by Michael Jackson.

Lionel Richie bounced all over the stage in varied sequinned outfits designed by Bill Whitten "all night long" a s he accepted six American Music Awards at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles before 6,000 invited guests televised nationwide by ABC-TV, Monday night.

Richie fell one short of the record seven awards received last year by Michael Jackson who was nominated four times this year but did not win.

"This is outrageous" Richie said after winning the first award "To all of my friends. I'm having the best time of my life. This is a party."

His handsome face and clothes were in sharp contrast to Prince and his huge entourage and bodyguards. Prince seemed like an petulant little boy who seemed to be suffering jealousy because he only won three awards after being nominated in eight categories.

At another time Richie said, "It's outrageous" and he got so carried away he said, "I forgot I'm working here".

Winners in the American Music Awards were selected from the 1984 best selling record charts of Cashbox and voted on by 20,000 record buyers.

Prince (Roger Nelson), 26, arrived at the show two hours before the telecast accompanied by his 6 by 6 foot bodyguard, 20 bodybuilders, Vanity and members of his band. When he performed "Purple Rain", screaming fans went wild and the audience... all 6,000 were on their feet, singing along and waving their arms.

Prince wore purple brocade with white fluffy sleeves and ruffled front and collar.

TINA TURNER holdsup one of her two American Music Awards she won Monday during ceremonies in Los Angeles. Turner won for female vocalist and female video artist for black music.

Vanity shocked the ABC censors with her see-through gown and cameramen were told to keep their shots close and above the waist.

The American Music Awards have never seen anthing like Prince and the Revolution and the press was quite upset because they couldn't get interviews. Richie praised his colleague and said "Prince is the new wave in this business, the trend setter. The only reason he didn't come backstage is that he is shy."

When Prince received his first award, he was led onstage by one of his singers and his bodyguard and she accepted for him and it was clear as one of his spokespersons said he marches to a different drummer."

On his second award for "When Doves Cry," Prince blew kisses to his screaming fans and said "For all of us, life is death without adventure. And adventure only comes to those of us willing to be daring and take chances. I want to thank God, the American public and my band..."

Tina Turner won raves from the audience when she performed "Private Dancer" and the Pointer Sisters, who won two awards, made two changes of costume. One a weird set of outfits to perform a medley of their top hits and another to accept the awards. They screamed all at once "Thank you RCA, God, mother, father, children..."

Highlight of the show as Diana Ross who hosted a segment with clips of greats in the music world who passed in 1984; Count Basie, Jackie Wilson, Ernest Tubb and Marvin Gaye.

Diana sang "Missing You" written by Lionel Richie as a tribute to Gaye with a huge blowup of Gaye on the wall behind her.

Diana was dressed in a gorgeous off-the shoulder number with a billowing tulle pulled-back hairdo and hourglass shaped gown that billowed at the knees. She showed two clips of Count Basie and gave a warm tribute in memory of his five decades of music.

In the clip on Jackie Wilson she said "we will miss you" as "Lonely Teardrops" which he wrote with Motown founder Barry Gordy was performed by an early Jackie Wilson.

Marvin Gaye was shown in clips performing "How Sweet It Is," with Tammy Terrell singing "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" and at Motowns 25th "What's Going On".

Lionel Richie closed the ceremonies with a statement about "a troubled world" and bringing all the celebrities on stage singing McCarthy and Lennon's "Let It Be."

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A massive party was held backstage after the show for 1,400 "special" guests. A dozen 10-foot trees with tiny white lights were trucked in and the blue flames from Sterno cannisters flickered in the darkened party area.

White wooden picnic chairs were scattered throughout, but most quests who had been sitting down throughout the three-hour telecast chose to stand.

Caterer Ray Henderson of Rococo's made sure sweets were satisifed with the feast, served from a tastada bar, a fruit and cheese bar, a clam chowder bar and chili stations.

Giant video screens beamed the show to the imbibing guests, many who shreiked when their face appeared on the screen.

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POP-ROCK

Female Vocalist: Cyndi Lauper; Male Vocalist: Lionel Richie; Duo-Group: Daryl Hall & John Oates; Single: "Dancing in the Dark" (Bruce Springsteen); Album: "Purple Rain", (Prince); Female video: Cyndi Lauper; Male Video: Lionel Richie; Video duo-group: Huey Lewis and the News; Video Single: "Hello", (Lionel Richie).

R&B

Female Vocalist: Tina Turner; Male Vocalist: Lionel Richie; Duo-Group: Pointer Sisters; Single: "When Doves Cry", (Prince); Album: "Purple Rain", (Prince); Female Video: Tina Turner; Male Video: Lionel Richie; Video Group: Pointer Sisters; Video Single: "Hello", (Lionel Richie).

Prince bodyguards arrested for attacking photographers

If you watched the American Music Awards Monday night, you saw Prince escorted to the platform by half naked, giant, Lawrence Gibson, 6 foot 9, 300 pounds with white beard and tatoo.

Prince who garnered three awards and put on such a crowd-pleasing show with his performance of "Purple Rain", that had the entire audience screaming, on their feet and waving their arms.

After leaving the awards early Tuesday morning, Prince who attended the awards program with more than 20 bodyguards, most of them bodybuilders hired from Gold's Gym in Venice, opted to go to a restaurant, Carlos and Charlie's in West Hollywood. His bodyguards allegedly beat at least two photographers waiting outside and ripped the film out of one camera.

One photographer was punched in the eye and another was "seized by his shoulders" until he gave up his camera said sheriff's deputy Stephen Lee. Gibson allegedly grabbed one photographer and "told him to surrender his camera or get hurt", Lee said.

Bodyguards Lawrence Gibson and Wallace Safford were booked on suspicion of assault and released on bail.

About 45 other artists who attended the American Music Awards went to A & M Studios to record "We Are the World" to aid starving people of Africa written by Michael Jackson and Lionel Richie who dominated the awards program. Richie won six awards and Prince won three. Prince received a record eight nominations and Richie edged him out in several catergories in which they competed. Prince did not attend the recording session because of a long standing feud with Michael Jackson.

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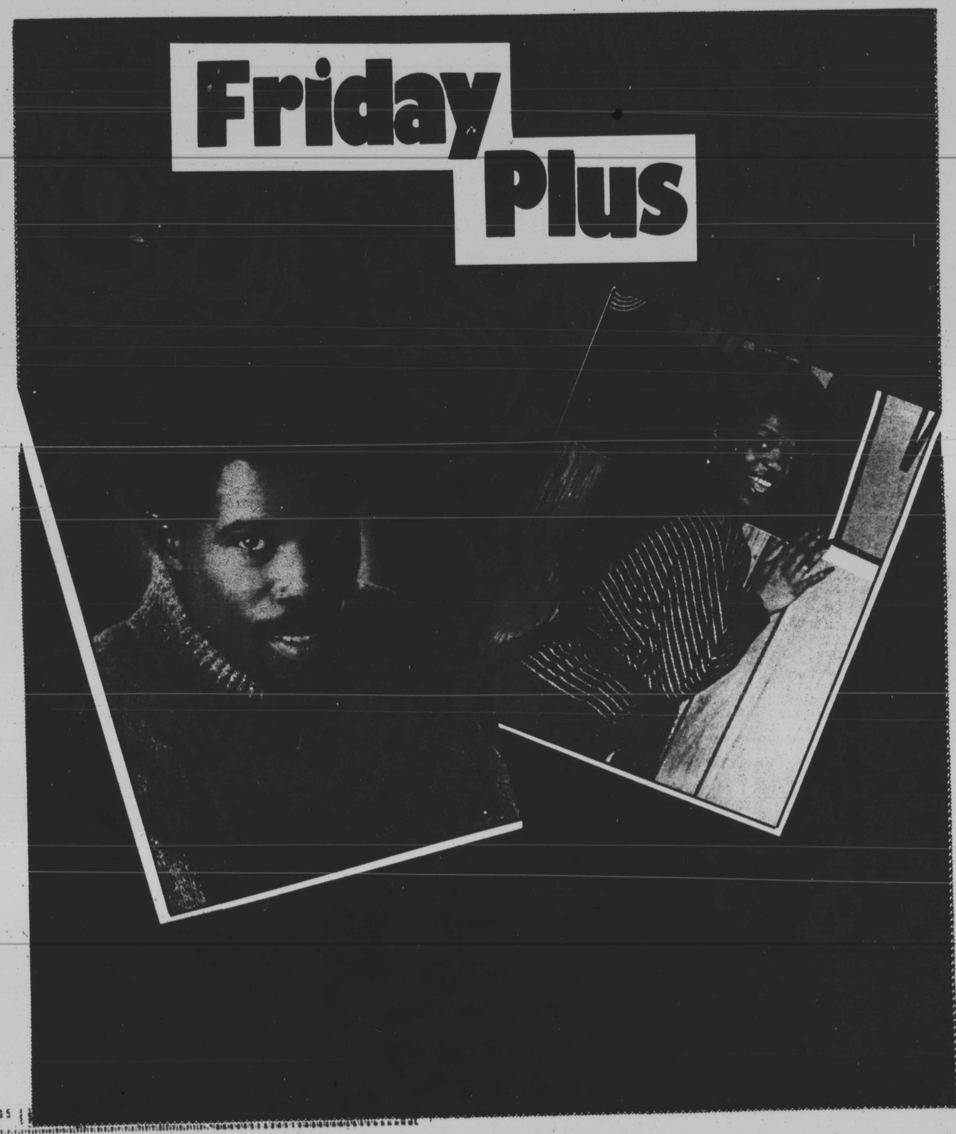
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