



## **AIM CHINESE 2013: FINAL FIVE NOMINEES REVEALED**

**New artiste Bell coming in with the highest number of nominations (10), closely followed by Z-Chen (8)**

**20 May 2013, Kuala Lumpur** - The top five contenders in each nomination category for the Anugerah Industri Muzik (AIM) Chinese 2013 music awards show were revealed today by the Recording Industry Association of Malaysia (RIM). With the conclusion of nomination submissions and the first round of judging, a total number of 458 nominations were received, indicating positive support from the various recording companies and artistes within the Chinese-language speaking music community.

“The judging process, which was audited by Mazars and administered by Macomm Management Services Sdn Bhd went smoothly with the participation of a select group of eminent practitioners in the music industry including musicians, producers, senior broadcast executives and creative designers who sat on the panel of judges to ensure that the judging process is done in a fair and transparent manner” said Ong Lay Jin, Chairman of the AIM Chinese 2013 Organising Committee. The committee invited Gary Ng Kim Wah who has vast experience in the music industry to preside over the entire judging process as the Chief Judge.

A total of 85 shortlisted nominees from 16 categories were announced, the process of which took two months of work from the date of the closing of the nomination submission up on 15 March 2013 until the first round of judging concluded on 16 April 2013.

An overview of all the Final 5 nominees clearly shows that the level of performances in the albums and songs nominated are particularly encouraging and promising for the development of the Malaysian music industry. This can be seen through Bell’s achievement in being shortlisted with 10 Top 5 nominations, including categories such as Best New Artiste, Best Album, Best Lyricist and Best Composer despite being a new artiste.

Among the male artistes, Z-Chen stood out with his album “In love with...” which was shortlisted in eight award categories, including Best Male Vocal Performance, Best Album, Best Song, Best Composer and Best Lyricist.

One of the categories to look out for during the awards is the Best Female Vocal Performance, seeing that the competition for the winner is between new artistes like Vivian Tsai Yi-Wen and Li Jia Wei and well-known pop queens such as Fish Leong, Ma Jia Xuan and Lin Fan.

The Final 5 nominees in the Best Male Vocal Performance category also sees close competition between names such as Gary Chaw, Chen Wei Quan, Wu Jia Hui, Henley Hii and Z-Chen.

An interesting point to note is that the majority of those shortlisted in the Best New Artiste category come from various singing competitions, such as Vivian, Pink, Fuying & Sam and Bell.

The AIM Chinese 2013 awards, which has full support from the Ministry of Tourism & Culture (previously known as the Ministry of Information, Communication and Culture), will be held on Saturday, 6 July 2013, 7.30pm at Plenary Hall, Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC).

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The lists of AIM Chinese 2013 Final 5 nominees and first round judges are attached herewith.

For more information on promo events, tickets collection, artistes list and other updates about the awards show, please log on to the official AIM Chinese Facebook account at [www.facebook.com/AIMChineseMusicAwards](http://www.facebook.com/AIMChineseMusicAwards) or visit the AIM website at [www.aim.org.my](http://www.aim.org.my).

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## APPENDIX 2

### AIM Chinese 2013 First Round Judges list (in alphabetical order)

#### 《2013 AIM 中文音樂頒獎典禮》评审名单（排名不分先后）

NO	NAME	DESCRIPTION	姓名	職業
1	Andrew Ooi	Photographer	黃競民	摄影师
2	Billy Ong	Producer	王诗豪	音乐制作人
3	Candy Cheah	Singer	謝婉婷	歌手
4	Choe Kit Foong	Senior Music Reviewer	曹傑鋒	资深乐评人
5	Chu Choon Seng	Musician	周顺成	音乐人
6	David Koon	Producer	莊尉義	音乐制作人
7	Douglas Khoo	Creative Director		创意总监
8	Felix Tan	Director	陈炳丰	导演
9	Gordon Teoh	Singer	张觉隆	创作歌手
10	Ho Hui Ching	Senior reporter - music review	何慧菁	平面高级记者/歌乐版记者
11	Jovi Tang	Performer	汤小康	音乐人/歌手
12	Koh Sim Hoo	ALFA Multimedia College - Graphic Design Lecturer & Student Affair Executive	许森和	广告设计学院教授
13	Nicholas Ong	one FM DJ	翁书尉	oneFM 电台 DJ
14	P'ng Kweng Pin	Performer	方炯镔	创作歌手
15	Percy Phang	Producer	彭学斌	音乐制作人
16	Roland Lee	MY FM, Sinar & THR Raaga Network Content Manager	李治成	MYFM, Sinar & THR 电台台长
17	Royce Tan	MY FM DJ	陈志康	MYFM 电台 DJ
18	Tan Wen Kang	Melody FM DJ	陳文康	媒体人/Melody FM 电台 DJ
19	Tong Pei Keh	Ai FM DJ	唐碧枝	AiFM 电台 DJ
20	Wie Hwee Chen	Senior reporter - music review	黃佩娟	平面高级记者/歌乐版记者