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# truTV Receives First Ever Emmy® Nomination for "Billy on the Street"

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**Created By Billy Eichner and Produced by Funny Or Die, Series Recognized in Outstanding Variety Sketch Series Category**

Turner's **truTV** celebrated a key milestone in its evolution today, receiving the comedy network's first-ever Emmy® Award nomination for the 69th Annual Primetime Emmy Awards. Pop culture powerhouse ***Billy on the Street***, from creator and star Billy Eichner, received a nomination in the **Outstanding Variety Sketch Series** category.

"As someone who grew up, for better or worse, watching award shows religiously, I'd be lying to say this doesn't feel insane and wonderful," said **Eichner**. "I'm so grateful and proud of the whole Billy on the Street production team which has worked so incredibly hard on this wild show for five seasons."

Produced by Funny Or Die, the critically-acclaimed series follows the unfiltered and unapologetic comedian as he hits the streets of New York City to test unsuspecting passersby. In the show's fifth season, Billy was joined by some of the biggest names in Hollywood, including Aziz Ansari, Jon Hamm, Keegan-Michael Key, Lupita Nyong'o, John Oliver, Seth Rogen, Andy Samberg and Jacob Tremblay. This marks the second Emmy nomination for *Billy on the Street*, which was previously nominated in 2015 for Outstanding Special Class Short Format Live Action Entertainment Program.

"On behalf of the truTV team, our congratulations and appreciation go to Billy and the entire team at Funny Or Die who work so tirelessly on the show," said **Chris Linn, president of truTV**. "The tremendous buzz and excitement around Billy on the Street has played a key role in drawing attention to our network and evolution into comedy, and we couldn't be more proud than we are today."

The Primetime Emmy Awards salute excellence in national primetime programming, presenting top honors annually at both the Primetime Creative Arts Emmy Awards and Engineering Emmy Awards ceremonies, as well as the Primetime Emmys telecast.

***Billy on the Street*** is executive-produced by **Mike Farah**, CEO of Funny Or Die, along with **Eichner, Anna Wenger, Doug Brady** and **Bill Parker**.

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## About truTV

Seen across multiple platforms in 90 million households, truTV delivers a fresh and unexpected take on comedy with such popular original series as [Impractical Jokers](#), [Billy on the Street](#), [Adam Ruins Everything](#), [The Carbonaro Effect](#), and [Hack My Life](#), as well as the original scripted comedies [Those Who Can't](#) and [I'm Sorry](#). And the fun doesn't stop there. truTV is also a partner in airing the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship.



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