

# Programme Information Highlights

## February 2016



### Happening this month...

#### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> February

US Presidential Election - Iowa Caucus

The key US state of Iowa is the first to hold a caucus deciding each party's presidential nominee.

#### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> February

US Super Bowl 50, Santa Clara

The 50<sup>th</sup> edition of the American Super Bowl will be held at the Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, California, home of the San Francisco 49ers.

Coldplay will headline the halftime show - the most watched event in US television history.

#### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February

US Presidential Election - New Hampshire Primary

The first in a series of nationwide party primary elections is held in the state of New Hampshire.

#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February

Munich Security Conference

The MSC is a key annual gathering for the international 'strategic community'. Since its foundation in 1963, the MSC has been an independent forum dedicated to promoting peaceful conflict resolution and international cooperation and dialogue in dealing with security challenges.

#### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February

BAFTA Film Awards, London

The British Academy Film Awards rewards the best work of any nationality seen on British cinema screens during the preceding year.



CULVER CITY, CA - SEPTEMBER 09: The Super Bowl trophy on display during the NFL Media Event, the day before kick off to the 2015 Season on September 9, 2015 in Culver City, California. (Photo by Frederick M. Brown/Getty Images)

#### Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February

The 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Grammy Awards, Los Angeles

The Grammy is the recording industry's most prestigious award. It's presented annually by The Recording Academy to honour excellence in the recording arts and sciences.

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## Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> February

Presidential and parliamentary elections in Uganda.

## Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February

European Council Meeting, Brussels

A key meeting as this is the target date for British Prime Minister David Cameron to reach a deal on EU reforms.

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Mobile World Congress, Barcelona

The MWC is the biggest annual gathering for mobile and related industries.

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Extraordinary FIFA Congress, Zurich

FIFA will elect its new President during the congress. The candidates are HRH Prince Ali Bin Al Hussein, Mr Jerome Champagne, Mr Gianni Infantino, H.E. Sheikh Salman bin Ebrahim Al Khalifa and Mr Tokyo Sexwale.

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February

41<sup>st</sup> Annual César Awards, Paris

Each year the French Académie des Arts et Techniques du Cinéma honours artists, technicians and films deemed to be outstanding.

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February

Iranian Elections

The most important elections in the Islamic Republic are taking place to elect the Iranian Parliament and the Assembly of Experts.

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> February

88<sup>th</sup> Academy Awards, Los Angeles

The Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences (AMPAS) honours the best films of 2015. Awards are presented in 24 categories. The Oscar statuette is the most recognised trophy in the world. Actor and comedian Chris Rock is hosting the show for the second time.



HOLLYWOOD, CA - FEBRUARY 22: (L-R) Actors J.K. Simmons, Patricia Arquette, Julianne Moore and Eddie Redmayne pose in the press room during the 87th Annual Academy Awards at Loews Hollywood Hotel on February 22, 2015 in Hollywood, California. (Photo by Jason Merritt/Getty Images)