**LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA, THE CAST OF HAMILTON, THE ROOTS & ATLANTIC RECORDS**

**CELEBRATE THE GOLD CERTIFICATION OF**

***“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING)”***



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Last night, **Lin-Manuel Miranda** & the cast/crew of the Broadway phenomenon Hamilton – joined by **The Roots’** Ahmir “Questlove” Thompson & Tarik “Black Thought” Trotter, as well as **Atlantic Records’** Chairman/COO **Julie Greenwald**, Chairman/CEO **Craig Kallman**, EVP/Head of A&R **Pete Ganbarg** & VP of A&R **Riggs Morales** – celebrated the gold certification of **“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING),”** with a plaque presentation at the Richard Rodgers Theatre. The GRAMMY-winning companion to the massively successful Broadway show was released in the Fall of 2015 & had an impressive debut, becoming the second biggest first week sales ever for a cast recording, behind only “RENT.” Fans will be able to purchase the stunning vinyl box collection of **“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING,)”** available Friday, April 15th.

What’s more, **“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING)”** drew some of 2015 most ecstatic reviews. “2015’s best rap album isn’t by Drake, Kendrick Lamar or Dr. Dre,” declared [**Billboard**](http://www.billboard.com/articles/review/6715240/hamilton-original-broadway-cast-recording-album-review) in its first 5-out-of-5 starred album review, “it’s the cast recording of HAMILTON, a vital companion to the most creative, most talked-about musical to hit Broadway this millennium.” “The closest thing to it in popular rap in recent memory would be Kendrick Lamar’s ‘GOOD KID, M.A.A.D. CITY,’” noted [**Pitchfork**](http://pitchfork.com/reviews/albums/21122-hamilton-original-broadway-cast-recording/). “(‘HAMILTON’)…is an album that requires time and attention, and rewards that investment handsomely.” [**Rolling Stone**](http://www.rollingstone.com/music/albumreviews/various-artists-hamilton-original-broadway-cast-recording-20150925) summed it up in its 4.5-out-of-5 starred review: **“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING)”** proves that a cast soundtrack LP can work as a powerful, cohesive, exhilarating pop experience in the 21st century. **“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING)”** also landed on several 2015 year-end lists including [**Billboard**](http://www.billboard.com/photos/6792633/best-albums-of-2015/25), [**Rolling Stone**](http://www.rollingstone.com/music/lists/50-best-albums-of-2015-20151201/various-artists-hamilton-original-broadway-soundtrack-20151130) & [**NPR**](http://www.npr.org/2015/12/07/458447213/npr-musics-50-favorite-albums-of-2015)’s “Top Albums of 2015” lists.

Produced by Alex Lacamoire, Bill Sherman, Lin-Manuel Miranda, and Ahmir “Questlove” Thompson & Tarik “Black Thought” Trotter, founding members of the GRAMMY®-winning hip-hop band, The Roots, **“HAMILTON (ORIGINAL BROADWAY CAST RECORDING)”** marks the first album to be mixed and mastered at the legendary Atlantic Records Studio in New York City.

**“THE HAMILTON MIXTAPE” COMING SOON**

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