



Writers Guild of Canada

SONDRA KELLY AWARD

Call for Entries

The Sondra Kelly Award provides \$5,000 to a woman screenwriter in mid-career for research/development on a self-initiated project.

Sondra Kelly was a longtime member of the Writers Guild of Canada. In 2007, she received the WGC Writers Block Award for her record of exceptional service to the WGC and for strengthening the Canadian screenwriting community as a whole. In addition to serving on the WGC Council from January 1997 to December 2003, Sondra occupied the first WGC-designated seat on the Actra Fraternal Benefit Society (AFBS) board (1998-2003). Hers was the first writer's voice on a board made up of actors, producers, and broadcasters at a time when a writer's voice was much needed.

This award in her memory, generously supported by AFBS, honours her dedication and contribution. Please help us celebrate Sondra's life and achievements through this award.

To be eligible for the Sondra Kelly Award, the candidate must be a woman and a screenwriter in mid-career, with several produced writing credits, and a WGC member in good standing.

To apply for the Sondra Kelly Award, please fill out the following entry form and submit it with the following:

- A description or proposal of the project (maximum 5 pages), including a description of what stage of your project you plan to use the Sondra Kelly Award money towards
- Your current resume including all produced writing credits
- Two (2) letters of reference which include descriptions of your experience as a screenwriter
- Signed declaration (see attached)
- Signed release (see attached)

A jury of peers will select the recipient of the award. The recipient will be announced at the 22nd annual WGC Screenwriting Awards on April 30th, 2018.

The deadline for entries is Thursday, March 1st, 2018. Please email your entries to awards@wgc.ca or submit via fax to 416-979-9273. You can also mail your entry package to:

Writers Guild of Canada
Attn: Sondra Kelly Award
366 Adelaide Street West, Suite 401
Toronto, Ontario, M5V 1R9



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SONDRA KELLY AWARD Declaration

I hereby declare that the [describe material: script, outline, bible etc.] _____ presently titled _____ is original written material created by and wholly owned by me.

Dated this ____ day of _____, 201_



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Release

I, the undersigned, hereby:

1. Authorize the WGC to make public (via its website and other media), if deemed necessary by WGC, the nature of the project receiving support, including the title of the project and the name of the recipient.
2. Accept the WGC Sondra Kelly Award guidelines and enter the above-named project for entry and hereby release the WGC, its officers, directors and representatives, from any and all claims rising in any way from the submission of material by me or on my behalf whether on film, video or otherwise, to the WGC.

Member Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

- **Entry form and all supporting materials must be received in the WGC offices by Thursday, March 1st, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. E.S.T.**
- **The recipient of the Sondra Kelly Award will be announced at the WGC Screenwriting Awards on April 30th, 2018.**

**Send to: Writers Guild of Canada
Attn: Sondra Kelly Award
366 Adelaide Street W., Ste.
401 Toronto, ON M5V 1R9**

You may mail your entries to the address listed above, or submit via fax to (416) 979-9273.

If you prefer to submit via email, email entries to awards@wgc.ca with "Sondra Kelly Award" in the subject line.



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DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

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5. Signed declaration
6. Signed release

Please be advised that during the judging of your entry, the applicant may be required to provide additional documentation if deemed necessary by the jury.

Please note that only the person chosen to receive the Sondra Kelly Award will be contacted. The winner will be notified and her name posted on the WGC website in May 2018.