



Announcing the Winners of the WGC Screenwriting Awards

April 28, 2015 – The Writers Guild of Canada celebrated some of the nation's most talented screenwriters — and their scripts — at a gala event last night at the TELUS Centre for Performance and Learning's Koerner Hall in Toronto. The TV, film, and digital media industry gathered to congratulate the finalists and cheer the winners of the 19th annual WGC Screenwriting Awards.

Screenwriters Tony Elliott (*Orphan Black*) won TV Drama, Jason Leaver (*Out With Dad*) won for Shorts & Webseries, and Melody Fox (*R.L. Stine's The Haunting Hour*) took home the award for Children & Youth. They are just a few of the writers whose work was recognized — a complete list of winners follows.

Several special awards were also presented, including the WGC Showrunner Award, which went to Bruce Smith (19-2); the Writers Block Award for service to Canadian screenwriters, awarded to Denis McGrath, and the Sondra Kelly Award, presented to Alison Lea Bingeman.

The awards were hosted by writer, actor and comedian Ryan Belleville, and co-written with stand-up/sketch comedian and writer Jeremy Woodcock. Guest presenters included *X Company's* Connor Price, *Sunnyside's* Patrice Goodman, and *Saving Hope's* Wendy Crewson. They were joined onstage by showrunners Stephanie Morgenstern and Mark Ellis (*X Company*), Gary Pearson (*Sunnyside*), and Adam Pettle (*Saving Hope*).

For more information or to arrange interviews with the winners, please contact Li Robbins: 416-979-7907 or by email at I.robbins@wgc.ca

The Writers Guild of Canada (WGC) represents more than 2,200 professional English-language screenwriters across Canada. These are the creators who write the distinctly Canadian entertainment we enjoy on our televisions, movie screens, and digital platforms.

2015 WGC SCREENWRITING AWARDS WINNERS

ANIMATION

Fangbone, Season 1 "The Warbrute of Friendship" Written by Simon Racioppa & Richard Elliott

CHILDREN & YOUTH

R.L. Stine's The Haunting Hour, Season 4 "Mrs. Worthington" Written by **Melody Fox**

DOCUMENTARY

The Cholesterol Question
Written by Michael McNamara

MOVIES & MINISERIES

Elephant Song
Written By Nicolas Billon

SHORTS & WEBSERIES

Out With Dad, Season 3 "Outed" Written by Jason Leaver

TV COMEDY

Mr. D, Season 3 "Old School" Written By **Andrew De Angelis**

TV DRAMA

Orphan Black, Season 2 "Ipsa Scientia Potestas Est" Written By **Tony Elliott**

WGC SHOWRUNNER AWARD

Bruce Smith (19-2)

WRITERS BLOCK AWARD

Denis McGrath

SONDRA KELLY AWARD

Alison Lea Bingeman

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