



The 2015 WGC Screenwriting Awards Finalists Celebrating Canada's Screenwriters

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Feb. 23, 2015 – The Writers Guild of Canada (WGC) is pleased to announce the finalists for the 19th annual WGC Screenwriting Awards. The WGC Screenwriting Awards celebrate the excellence of Canada's screenwriters with a gala event on April 27, 2015, at Toronto's Koerner Hall.

This year more than 150 scripts were nominated for awards in seven categories, with 29 scripts chosen as finalists. In total, 53 screenwriters are up for awards. Several special awards, including the WGC Showrunner Award, the Jim Burt Screenwriting Prize, and the Sondra Kelly Award, will also be presented.

The WGC Awards cover all genres of screenwriting in Canada, and include TV drama favourites such as *19-2*, *Orphan Black* and *Lost Girl*, and noted web series *Out With Dad*, and *Ruby Skye P.I*. The award categories also cover the best in animation, children and youth, movies and miniseries, documentary, and TV comedy.

The winners will be announced at the 19th annual **WGC Screenwriting Awards on Monday, April 27, 2015**, at the TELUS Centre for Performance and Learning's Koerner Hall.

The WGC is very pleased to welcome writer, actor and comedian Ryan Belleville back to host the awards. The show will be written by stand-up/sketch comedian and writer Jeremy Woodcock, in collaboration with Ryan Belleville.

To arrange interviews with any of the finalists, or for more information, please contact Li Robbins, Director of Communications, 416-979-7907, or by email at <u>l.robbins@wgc.ca</u>.

See the complete list of finalists, below.

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.

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ANIMATION

The Day My Butt Went Psycho, Season 1 "Everybooty Loves the Great White Butt" Written by **Craig Martin**

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

Johnny Test, Season 6 "Johnny's Junky Trunk" Written by **Sean Jara**

Nerds and Monsters, Season 1 "Kaboom With a View" Written by **Greg Sullivan**

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Annedroids, Season 1 "New Pals" Written by **J.J. Johnson**

R.L. Stine's The Haunting Hour, Season 4 "Goodwill Toward Men" Written by **Dan Angel & Billy Brown**

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

Some Assembly Required, Season 1 "Dance Crew Evolution" Written by **Cole Bastedo & Jenny Siddle**

You & Me, Season 1 "Ninja Squirrel" Written by **Katherine Sandford**

DOCUMENTARY

The Cholesterol Question Written by Michael McNamara

Norman McLaren: Animated Musician Written by **Donald McWilliams**

Shameless Propaganda Written by **Robert Lower**

MOVIES & MINISERIES

The Best Laid Plans "You Had An Option, Sir" Written by **Jason Sherman and Susan Coyne**

Elephant Song Written by **Nicolas Billon**

Sex and Violence, Season 1 "Surface Scars" Written by **Thom Fitzgerald**

SHORTS & WEBSERIES

Bill & Sons Towing, Season 2 "Cleaning House" Written by **Mark De Angelis**

Darknet "Episode 3" Written by **Doug Taylor**

Darknet "Episode 5" Written by **Randall Cole**

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

Ruby Skye P.I.: The Maltese Puppy "Everyone's a Suspect" Written by **Jill Golick & Julie Strassman**

TV COMEDY

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

Sensitive Skin, Season 1 "Not the Haitian Corpse" Written by **Bob Martin**

This Hour Has 22 Minutes, Season XXI "Episode 16" Written by Mark Critch, Shaun Majumder, Mike Allison, Bob Kerr, Susan Kent, Greg Thomey, Jon Blair, Sonya Bell, Abdul Butt, Tim Polley, Heidi Brander, Adam Christie, Kevin Shustack, Jeremy Woodcock Contributing Writers: Dean Jenkinson, Ron Sparks

Trailer Park Boys, Season 8 "Episode 4" Written by **Mike Smith & JP Tremblay & Robb Wells**

TV DRAMA

19-2, Season 1 "Partners" Adapted by **Bruce M. Smith**

Lost Girl, Season 4 "La Fae Époque" Written by Michael Grassi

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

Saving Hope, Season 3 "The Way We Were" Written by **John Krizanc**

Strange Empire, Season 1 "The Oath" Written by **Jackie May**

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