



# WGC Screenwriting Awards 2021 Finalists Announced Transplant, Schitt's Creek scripts score multiple nominations

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**Toronto, March 4, 2021** — The WGC Screenwriting Awards annually celebrate and acknowledge the work of Writers Guild of Canada members and their outstanding scripts that power the most engaging Canadian-made series, films, documentaries and webseries.

This year, in contention are scripts from series *Transplant* (Joseph Kay, Lynne Kamm, Tamara Moulin), *Schitt's Creek* (Daniel Levy, Kurt Smeaton & Winter Tekenos-Levy), *Cardinal* (Sarah Dodd), *Diggstown* (Floyd Kane) and *New Eden* (Kayla Lorette & Evany Rosen). Additionally, 2020 was a very strong year for Canadian feature films with three critically acclaimed screenplays and their writers receiving nominations: *Akilla's Escape* (Charles Officer & Motion), *Beans* (Tracey Deer and Meredith Vuchnich) and *The Willoughbys* (Kris Pearn and Mark Stanleigh).

Please see the complete list of categories and finalists below.

The WGC Screenwriting Awards will recognize and celebrate Canadian screenwriters and their scripts at a virtual ceremony on April 26, including the Showrunner of the Year — previous winners of this prestigious prize include Dennis Heaton (*The Order*), Emily Andras (*Wynonna Earp*) and Michael MacLennan (*The Bletchley Circle: San Francisco*).

**Save the date:** The annual WGC Screenwriting Awards will take place virtually on April 26, 2021. Registration and platform details are coming soon to wgc.ca.

Congratulations to the awards finalists!

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#### 2021 WGC SCREENWRITING AWARDS FINALISTS

#### CHILDREN'S

Odd Squad Mobile Unit, "Slow Your Roll" | Written by Mark De Angelis
Ollie's Pack, "Birthday Shmirthday: A Cleo Badette Documentary" | Written by Jeff Sager
Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum, "I am Harriet Tubman" | Story by Desmond Sargeant &
Meghan Read, Teleplay by Desmond Sargeant

# **COMEDY SERIES**

New Eden, "Who Are These Women?" I Written by Evany Rosen & Kayla Lorette Schitt's Creek, "Happy Ending" I Written by Daniel Levy Schitt's Creek, "Sunrise, Sunset" I Written by Kurt Smeaton & Winter Tekenos-Levy

# **DOCUMENTARY**

The Detectives, "Project Prism" | Written by Eric Sabbag
John Ware Reclaimed | Written by Cheryl Foggo
Still Standing, "Rankin Inlet" | Written by Jonny Harris, Fraser Young, Graham Chittenden, Steve
Dylan

## **DRAMA SERIES**

Cardinal: Until the Night, "Adele" | Written by Sarah Dodd
Diggstown, "Willy MacIsaac Redux" | Written by Floyd Kane
Transplant, "Pilot" | Written by Joseph Kay
Transplant, "Trigger Warning" | Written by Lynne Kamm
Transplant, "Under Pressure" | Written by Tamara Moulin
Trickster, "Episode 105" | Story by Michelle Latimer and Tony Elliott and Penny Gummerson,
Teleplay by Penny Gummerson

## **FEATURE FILM**

Akilla's Escape | Story by Charles Officer, Screenplay by Charles Officer & Motion
Beans | Story by Tracey Deer, Screenplay by Tracey Deer and Meredith Vuchnich
The Willoughbys | Story by Kris Pearn, Screenplay by Kris Pearn and Mark Stanleigh





#### **MOW & MINISERIES**

Christmas On My Mind | Written by Kirsten Hansen
Gourmet Detective: Roux the Day | Written by Becky Southwell & Dylan Neal
No Good Deed | Written by Doug Barber

## **PRESCHOOL**

16 Hudson, "Tickle Tornado" | Written by Suzanne Bolch & John May
Dino Dana, "Prehistoric Hospital" | Written by J.J. Johnson & Christin Simms & Jagjiwan Sohal
Dino Dana, "The Sound of Dinosaurs" | Written by J.J. Johnson
Kingdom Force, "Big Cat Blues" | Written by Alex Ganetakos
Remy & Boo, "The Squailer" | Written by Jiro C. Okada

#### **SHORTS & WEBSERIES**

Detention Adventure, "Buried Treasure" | Written by Joe Kicak My Pride: The Series, "Rain" | Written by Maddi Patton Queens, "Minnie and Sharron" | Written by Pat Mills Try to Fly | Written by Simone Swan & The Affolter Brothers

#### **TWEENS & TEENS**

Lockdown, "Social Togetherness" | Story by J.J. Johnson & Christin Simms, Teleplay by J.J. Johnson & Christin Simms & Nicole Stamp

Lockdown, "Stake Outing" I Written by Lakna Edilima

Malory Towers, "The Ghost" I Written by Kate Hewlett

Utopia Falls, "The World is Yours" I Written by Joseph Mallozzi & R.T. Thorne

## **ABOUT THE WGC**

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