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The Writers Guild of Canada Announces New 2022-2024 Council

The new council will work on behalf of WGC members in this crucial time
for Canadian screenwriters

MAY 2, 2022 — The Writers Guild of Canada has named its new council for the two-year term of May 1, 2022 to April 30, 2024.

Alex Levine (*Orphan Black*) was re-elected by WGC members as central region councillor and resumes his role as council president. Also returning to the WGC council are Council Vice-President and Central Region Councillor Marsha Greene (*The Porter*), WGC Treasurer and Atlantic Region Councillor Michael Amo (*Pure*), and Quebec Region Councillor Anne-Marie Perotta (*Big Top Academy*).

Joining them are three newly elected councillors: Jeremy Boxen (*Killjoys*) as central region councillor, and Sarah Dodd (*Cardinal*) and Jason Filiatrault (*Young Drunk Punk*) as councillors for the pacific western region.

Said WGC Acting Co-Executive Director Neal McDougall, “We’re pleased to welcome these outstanding WGC members to council. Their knowledge, experience and passion will help the WGC move forward on important issues this term, including advocating for the passage of Bill C-11, the *Online Streaming Act*.”

The WGC is grateful to the three councillors whose terms have now ended: Andrew Wreggitt (*Fortunate Son*), Dennis Heaton (*Motive*, *The Order*), and Lienne Sawatsky (*Wishfart*). Wreggitt has been on council since 2006, serving as vice-president from 2010 – 2021, and has long been the council’s point person on the CRTC, advancing the WGC’s work to convince the commission to replace its notorious 1999 TV policy, among many other contributions. Heaton has been on council since 2012, serving as president from 2018 – 2021, and has always led with integrity and a clear vision, while offering support and guidance to the WGC membership. Sawatsky was elected to council in 2020 and has been a strong advocate for the rights of writers of animation programming.

“On behalf of the WGC membership, I’d like to thank Andrew Wreggitt, Dennis Heaton, and Lienne Sawatsky for their service,” said fellow WGC Acting Co-Executive Director Terry Mark. “They’ve made invaluable contributions to bettering the working environment for Canadian screenwriters in their years on council, and we know they’ll continue to add their voices in support of their fellow WGC members.”

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