

## **Statement from Writers Guild of Canada Regarding the WGA’s Tentative Agreement with the AMPTP**

**For immediate release**

**TORONTO, ON – September 25, 2023:** The Writers Guild of Canada (WGC) congratulates the WGA for reaching a tentative agreement with the AMPTP. Last night, the WGA Negotiating Committee released a statement to its members calling the deal “exceptional -- with meaningful gains and protections for writers in every sector of the membership.”

This is a victory for workers in our industry in their fight for fairness and respect, and a testament to the power of union solidarity and global solidarity. This is a clear and ringing demonstration that workers are best protected when they are members of a union or guild.

The WGA is our sister guild and many of our members are dual members of the WGA. Over the strike’s 146 days, WGC members supported the WGA by refusing struck work, rallying in solidarity both in Canada and the US, and by speaking out on WGA’s key issues in the media.

“We applaud the WGA for their strength and collective resolve throughout this strike,” says WGC President Alex Levine. “Screenwriters must be properly compensated for their invaluable creative labour.”

“We will be looking very closely at the details of the deal,” says WGC Executive Director Victoria Shen. “We are heading into negotiations with the Canadian Media Producers Association in October.”

The combined strikes have had a detrimental impact on production in Canada. While we wait for the WGA deal to be released and ratified, we hope for a speedy resolution with SAG-AFTRA.

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