



Hollywood Post Alliance® Announces 2015 Award Winners ***HPA Awards Honors Artists and Innovators at 10th Anniversary Gala***

November 12, 2015 (Los Angeles, CA) The Hollywood Post Alliance (HPA) has unveiled the winners of the 10th Annual HPA Awards this evening at a gala celebration held at the Skirball Cultural Center in Los Angeles. The HPA Awards recognize individuals and companies for outstanding contributions made in the creation of feature films, television, commercials, and entertainment content enjoyed around the world.

Honors were bestowed in craft categories honoring behind the scenes artistry, Engineering Excellence, and Creativity and Innovation. Leon D. Silverman, a founder and current president of the HPA, was the recipient of the prestigious HPA Lifetime Achievement Award.

The winners of the 2015 HPA Awards are:

Outstanding Color Grading – Sponsored by Dolby

Outstanding Color Grading – Feature Film

WINNER:

"Birdman"

Steven J. Scott // Technicolor

NOMINEES:

"Monsoon"

Charles Boileau // Post-Moderne

"Lady of Csejte"

Keith Roush // Roush Media

"The Boxtrolls"
John Daro // FotoKem

"Whiplash"
Natasha Leonnet // Modern VideoFilm

Outstanding Color Grading – Television

WINNER:

"Boardwalk Empire – Golden Days for Boys and Girls"
John Crowley // Technicolor PostWorks NY

NOMINEES:

"Game of Thrones – Hardhome"
Joe Finley // Chainsaw, Inc.

"Masters of Sex – A Parliament of Owls"
Matt Lear // Sony Pictures Television

"Olive Kitteridge – Incoming Tide"
Pankaj Bajpai // Encore

"Sense8 - What's Going On?"
Tony Dustin // Technicolor

Outstanding Color Grading – Commercial

WINNER:

Lincoln – "Intro"
Tom Poole // Company 3

NOMINEES:

Caterpillar – "Lantern Festival"
Rob Sciarratta // Company 3

Dodge – "Wisdom"
Beau Leon // Company 3

Lexus – "Face Off"
Dave Hussey // Company 3

Toyota – "Harrier"
Siggy Ferstl // Company 3

Outstanding Editing – Sponsored by Blackmagic Design

Outstanding Editing – Feature Film

WINNER:

“Whiplash”

Tom Cross, ACE

NOMINEES:

“American Sniper”

Joel Cox, ACE; Gary Roach, ACE

“Interstellar”

Lee Smith, ACE

“Selma”

Spencer Averick

“The Imitation Game”

William Goldenberg, ACE

Outstanding Editing – Television

WINNER:

“Foo Fighters: Sonic Highways – Nashville”

Kristin McCCasey // Therapy Studios

NOMINEES:

“VICE on HBO – Cold War 2.0”

Rich Lowe

“Game of Thrones – Hardhome”

Tim Porter // Beyond the Wall Productions, Inc.

“House of Cards – Chapter 32”

Cindy Mollo, ACE // Netflix

“Foo Fighters: Sonic Highways – Austin”

Scott D. Hanson // Therapy Studios

Outstanding Editing – Commercial

WINNER:

GNP Seguros – “World Cup”

Doobie White // Therapy Studios

NOMINEES:

Fiat – “Alive”

Kristin McCCasey // Therapy Studios

Adidas – “Takers”

Steve Gandolfi // Cut+Run

Google – “Young Together”

Miky Wolf // Big Sky Edit

Skullcandy – “Push Play”

Doobie White // Therapy Studios

Outstanding Sound

Outstanding Sound – Feature Film

WINNER:

"American Sniper"

Alan Murray, Tom Ozanich, John Reitz, Gregg Rudloff // Warner Bros. Post Production Services

NOMINEES:

"Birdman"

Jon Taylor, Frank A. Montano, Martin Hernandez, Aaron Glascock // NBCUniversal StudioPost

"Interstellar"

Richard King, Gary Rizzo, Gregg Landaker, Mark Weingarten // Warner Bros. Post Production Services

"Unbroken"

Jon Taylor, Frank A. Montano, Becky Sullivan, Andrew DeCristofaro // NBCUniversal StudioPost

"Mad Max: Fury Road"

Mark Mangini, Scott Hecker // Formosa Group
Chris Jenkins, Gregg Rudloff // Warner Bros. Post Production Services

Outstanding Sound – Television

WINNER:

"Homeland – Redux"

**Nello Torri, Alan Decker // NBCUniversal StudioPost
Craig Dellinger // Sony Sound Services**

NOMINEES:

"Banshee – You Can't Hide from the Dead"

Bradley North, Joseph DeAngelis, Ken Kobett, Tiffany Griffith, David Wertz // Technicolor

"Black Sails – XVIII"

Benjamin Cook, Stefan Hendrix, Jeffrey Pitts, Sue Cahill, Onnalee Blank, Mathew Waters // Starz

"Game of Thrones – Hardhome"

Tim Kimmel, Paula Fairfield, Bradley Katona, Paul Bercovitch, Onnalee Blank, Mathew Waters // Formosa Group

"Halt and Catch Fire – SETI"

Sue Cahill, Keith Rogers, Scott Weber, Jane Boegel, Mark Cleary, Kevin McCullough // NBCUniversal StudioPost

Outstanding Sound – Commercial

WINNER:

The Syria Campaign – “In Reverse”

Jon Clarke // Factory

NOMINEES:

Honda – “The Other Side”

Tom Joyce, Anthony Moore // Factory

Prada – “The Battlefield”

Miky Wolf // Big Sky Edit

Volvo – “The Swell”

Aaron Reynolds // Wave Studios

Medicontour – “Bi-Flex 1.8”

Phil Bolland // Factory

Outstanding Visual Effects – Sponsored by Canon

Outstanding Visual Effects – Feature Film

WINNER:

"The Hobbit: The Battle of the Five Armies"

Joe Letteri, Eric Saindon, David Clayton, R. Christopher White, Matt Aitken // Weta Digital

NOMINEES:

"Tomorrowland"

Craig Hammack, Eddie Pasquarello, Francois Lambert, Maia Kayser, Barry Williams // Industrial Light & Magic

"Birdman"

Ara Khanikian, Sebastien Moreau, Sebastien Francoeur, Patrick David, Laurent Spillemaecker // Rodeo FX

"Into the Woods"

Matt Johnson, Christian Irlles, Daniel Tarmy, Nicolas Chevallier, Benoit Dubuc // MPC

"Jurassic World"

Tim Alexander, Glen McIntosh, Tony Plett, Kevin Martel, Martyn Culpitt // Industrial Light & Magic

Outstanding Visual Effects – Television

WINNER:

"Game of Thrones – The Dance of Dragons"

Joe Bauer, Steve Kullback, Derek Spears, Eric Carney, Jabbar Raisani // Fire and Blood Productions

NOMINEES:

"Marvel's Agent Carter – Now Is Not The End"

Sheena Duggal, Richard Bluff, Jay Mehta, Chad Taylor, Cody Gramstad // Industrial Light & Magic

"Black Sails – XVIII"

Erik Henry // Starz

Ken Jones // Digital Domain

Nic Spier // Shade FX

Christina Spring, Bjorn Ahlstedt // Crazy Horse Effects

"Ripper Street – Whitechapel Terminus"

Ed Bruce, Nicolas Murphy, John O'Connell, Joseph Courtis, Ronan Gantly // Screen Scene

"The Flash – Grodd Lives"

Armen V. Kevorkian, Andranik Taranyan, Stefan Bredereck, Jason Shulman, Gevork Babityan // Encore VFX

Outstanding Visual Effects – Commercial

WINNER:

"Game Of War – Decisions"

Benjamin Walsh, Brian Burke, Ian Holland, Brandon Nelson // Method Studios

NOMINEES:

Shell – "Shapeshifter"

Russell Dodgson, Robert Herrington, Ahmed Gharraph, Rafael Camacho //
Framestore UK

General Electric – "Invention Donkey"

Seth Gollub, Theo Jones, Russell Miller, Raul Ortego // Framestore NY

Game Of War – "Time"

Benjamin Walsh, Brian Burke, Ian Holland, Chris Perkwitz // Method Studios

Pepsi – "Halftime Touches Down"

Chris Eckhardt, Michael Ralla // Framestore

The following special awards, which were previously announced, were also presented this evening:

HPA Engineering Excellence Award – Sponsored by NAB Show

Canon – 4K Cine Zoom Lens

Dolby – Dolby Vision™ Projector

Panasonic – 4K Camera Imagers

Quantel – Pablo Rio 8K

Sony Electronics – BVMX300 Monitor

Honorable Mention – Colorfront, Interactive HFR Frame-Blending

HPA Judges Award for Creativity and Innovation

ESPN – ESPN Digital Center 2

HPA Lifetime Achievement Award

Leon D. Silverman received the 2015 Lifetime Achievement Award. Silverman, General Manager, Digital Studio for the Walt Disney Studios, co-founded HPA in

2002. He currently serves as the organization's president, and represents HPA on the SMPTE Board. Silverman has been a strong presence in Hollywood's post production community for over 30 years.

More information about the HPA Awards and the Hollywood Post Alliance can be found at www.hpaonline.com or by calling +1 213.614.0860.

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Hollywood Post Alliance (HPA) serves the professional community of businesses and individuals who provide expertise, support, tools and the infrastructure for the creation and finishing of motion pictures, television, commercials, digital media and other dynamic media content. Through their partnership with the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers® (SMPTE®), the leader in the advancement of the art, science and craft of the image, sound, and metadata ecosystem, the HPA continues to extend its support of the community it represents. Information about the HPA is available at [ww.hpaonline.com](http://www.hpaonline.com).

About the HPA® Awards

The HPA Awards were created to foster awareness and recognize the achievements of the individuals and companies that have contributed to groundbreaking technologies and creative excellence within the professional media content industry, and build involvement in the Hollywood Post Alliance. The HPA is a partner of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers® (SMPTE®). Information about the HPA Awards is available at www.hpaonline.com. The HPA Awards will be presented with generous support from its Title Sponsor: Blackmagic Design; Foundation Members: Avid and Dolby; Engineering Title Sponsor: NAB Show; Diamond Sponsor: Canon; Gold Sponsor: Sohonet; and Bronze Sponsors: AKiTiO and Panasonic.

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