EIC ANNOUNCES NOMINATIONS FOR 18th ANNUAL PRISM AWARDS - NODS FOR JULIA ROBERTS, MERYL STREEP, OPRAH, JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT, EDIE FALCO, ALLISON JANNEY, LL COOL J, JEWEL, MARISKA HARGITAY


Los Angeles, CA (March 6, 2014) – The Entertainment Industries Council, Inc. (EIC) has announced the nominees for the 18th Annual PRISM Awards. The PRISM Awards honor TV, music, online, and comic book entertainment that accurately depicts drug, alcohol and tobacco use and addiction, as well as mental health issues. The Nomination Review Committee of over 80 representatives of both the entertainment industry and health field, selected nominees from nearly 400 productions submitted, according to Brian Dyak, President and CEO of EIC.

Among networks, CBS and Lifetime came out on top with 12 nominations apiece, followed by ABC (10), Showtime (8), TNT (6), NBC (5), TeenNick and MTV (3 each), and Fox, CNN and OWN (2 each). ABC Studios took the number one slot among studios with 12 nominations, followed by CBS Studios/CBS Domestic Television (11), Warner Bros. (8), Sony (7), Weinstein Co. and Universal/NBC Universal Television (6 each), 20th/Fox 21/FTVS (4), Epitome Pictures (3), and Lionsgate and Relativity (2 each).

Winners will be announced during a ceremony on April 22, 2014 at the Skirball Center. For more information on the ceremony and tribute program, please visit http://www.cvent.com/d/64qz31 The 18th Annual PRISM Showcase is set to be nationally televised in September as part of National Recovery Month through flagship airing partner FX Network, as well as other cable networks, broadcast stations, video on demand, and web streaming.

In the Feature Film categories, nominees were August: Osage County and Lee Daniels’ The Butler (Weinstein Co.), Cleaver’s Destiny (Dagger Charge Films), Don Jon (Relativity/Voltage), Home (Entertainment One), Junction (Choice Films), The Spectacular Now (A24), and The Story of Luke (Gravitas Ventures). Feature film performances nominated were Joseph Gordon-Levitt (Don Jon), Julia Roberts and Meryl Streep (August: Osage County), Oprah Winfrey (Lee Daniels’ The Butler), and Shailene Woodley (The Spectacular Now).

Woodley was previously nominated for Secret Life of an American Teenager.

For Comedy Series, nominated episodes or multi-episode storylines hailed from Brody Stevens: Enjoy It! (Comedy Central), Californication (Showtime), Drop Dead Diva (Lifetime), Mom (CBS), and Nurse Jackie (Showtime). Drop Dead Diva and Nurse Jackie are both past winners and Californication is a past nominee. Nominated comedy performances were David Duchovny (Californication), Brooke Elliott (Drop Dead Diva), Edie Falco (Nurse Jackie), and Anna Faris and Allison Janney (Mom). Elliott and Falco are past nominees and Janney is a past winner for the TV movie Our Very Own.

Drama Episodes nominated were from Blue Bloods (CBS), Bones (Fox), Graceland (USA), Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (NBC), Longmire (A&E), The Mentalist (CBS), Scandal (ABC), and Southland (TNT). Both SVU and Southland are past winners, and Blue Bloods is a past nominee. Michael Cudlitz (Southland), John Francis Daley (Bones), Will Estes (Blue Bloods), Tony Goldwyn (Scandal), and Eric McCormack (Perception) were nominated for Performance in a Drama Episode. Last year, Cudlitz took home the prize.

In the area of Drama Multi-Episode Storylines, nods went to Dexter (Showtime), Elementary (CBS), Homeland (Showtime), Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (NBC), Nashville (ABC), NCIS: Los Angeles (CBS), Parenthood (NBC), and Shameless (Showtime), as well as two separate story arcs for Grey’s Anatomy (ABC). Homeland,
SVU (twice), Grey’s (twice), Parenthood (four times) and Shameless are all past winners, while Nashville took home last year’s EIC President’s Award. This is Elementary’s second consecutive nomination. Performance nominations for multi-episode stories went to Jennifer Carpenter (Dexter), Justin Chambers, James Remar and Chandra Wilson (all Grey’s Anatomy), Mariska Hargitay (SVU), Lucy Liu and Jonny Lee Miller (Elementary), LL Cool J and Eric Christian Olsen (NCIS: LA), and Hayden Panettiere (Nashville). Chambers, Liu and Panettiere are past nominees. Hargitay previously earned an award for SVU, while Wilson took home the award for the TV movie Accidental Friendship.

Christmas with Tucker (Hallmark) and the Lifetime movies Anna Nicole, Call Me Crazy: A Five Film, House of Versace, and Ring of Fire earned nominations for TV Movie or Miniseries. TV Movie Performance nods went to Agnes Buckner (Anna Nicole), Gina Gershon (House of Versace), and Jewel and Matt Ross (Ring of Fire), as well as the ensemble for Call Me Crazy. Also nominated was daytime drama series Days of Our Lives (NBC), which won multiple times over the years. In the Teen or Children’s Program arena, nominees were three storylines from Degrassi: The Next Generation (TeenNick) and an episode of Nick News with Linda Ellerbee (Nickelodeon). Nick News has won twice before and Degrassi took the award last year. Original Internet Programming nominations were for the WIGS series Lauren and Susanna, and for online webisode Next Week’s Game. Internet performance nominees were Jennifer Beals and Troian Bellisario for Lauren, and Maggie Grace and Anna Paquin for Susanna. This is the first year online programming is being recognized.

18th Annual PRISM Awards Nomination List

Feature Film – Substance Use
August: Osage County
Junction
Lee Daniels’ The Butler
The Spectacular Now

Feature Film – Mental Health
Cleaver’s Destiny
Don Jon
Home
The Story of Luke

Performance in a Feature Film
Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Don Jon
Julia Roberts, August: Osage County
Meryl Streep, August: Osage County
Oprah Winfrey, Lee Daniels’ The Butler
Shailene Woodley, The Spectacular Now

Comedy Series Episode or Multi-Episode Storyline
Brody Stevens: Enjoy It! – Season 1
Californication – “The Unforgiven” / “Quitters”
Drop Dead Diva – “Cheaters”
Mom: Season 1
Nurse Jackie: Season 5

Performance in a Comedy Series
David Duchovny, Californication
Brooke Elliott, Drop Dead Diva
Edie Falco, Nurse Jackie
Anna Faris, Mom
Allison Janney, Mom

Drama Series Episode – Substance Use
Bones – “The Friend in Need”
Graceland – “Hair of the Dog”
Longmire – “Party’s Over”
Scandal – “Snake in the Garden”
Southland – “Chaos”

Drama Series Episode – Mental Health
Blue Bloods – “Front Page News”
Law & Order: Special Victims Unit – “Born Psychopath”
The Mentalist – “Red, White and Blue”
Perception – “Asylum”
Perception – “Wounded”

Drama Multi-Episode Storyline – Mental Health
Grey’s Anatomy: Bailey’s OCD
Homeland: Season 3
Law & Order: Special Victims Unit – “Surrender Benson” / “American Tragedy”
Parenthood – “Small Victories” / “Let’s Be Mad Together” / “Election Day”
Drama Multi-Episode Storyline – Substance Use
Dexter – “What’s Eating Dexter Morgan?” / “Scar Tissue”
Elementary: Sherlock’s Recovery
Grey’s Anatomy: Alex’s Father
Nashville: Jolene and Deacon
Shameless: Season 3

Male Performance in a Drama Series Multi-Episode Storyline
Justin Chambers, Grey’s Anatomy
LL Cool J, NCIS: Los Angeles
Jonny Lee Miller, Elementary
Eric Christian Olsen, NCIS: Los Angeles
James Remar, Grey’s Anatomy

Female Performance in a Drama Series Multi-Episode Storyline
Jennifer Carpenter, Dexter
Mariska Hargitay, Law & Order: Special Victims Unit
Lucy Liu, Elementary
Hayden Panettiere, Nashville
Chandra Wilson, Grey’s Anatomy

TV Movie or Miniseries
Anna Nicole
Call Me Crazy: A Five Film
Christmas with Tucker
House of Versace
Ring of Fire

Performance in a TV Movie or Miniseries
Agnes Bruckner, Anna Nicole
Gina Gershon, House of Versace
Jewel, Ring of Fire
Matt Ross, Ring of Fire

Daytime Drama Series Storyline
Days Of Our Lives: Brady’s Addiction

Teen or Children’s Program
Degrassi: The Next Generation – Cam’s Suicide
Degrassi: The Next Generation – Dallas’ Alcohol Abuse
Degrassi: The Next Generation – Drew’s Drug Abuse
Nick News with Linda Ellerbee – “Worried Sick: Living with Anxiety”

Talk Show Episode
The Doctors – “New Heroin Debate”
Dr. Phil Show – “Battle with Anxiety Lands Him on the Bench”
Dr. Phil Show – “Saving Loni: From Suburbs to the Slums”
The Steve Wilkos Show – “Teens: Addiction and Pregnancy”
The Trisha Goddard Show – “I Abuse Her and Treat Her Like an Animal...I Need Help”

Feature Film Documentary
The Anonymous People
My Father and the Man in Black: Growing Up with Johnny Cash and the Father He Barely Knew
Running from Crazy
Salinger

Documentary – Mental Health
American Health Journal – “Mental Health and Addiction Show”
Life Continued: Defeating Depression
Mental Health in America: Exploring the Stigma
Outside the Lines – “Bobby San Jose: Fallen Star”

Documentary – Substance Use
Intervention: Season 14
True Life – “I’m Addicted to Pills”
Weed: Dr. Sanjay Gupta Reports
World’s Untold Stories: Shooting Up Legally

Unscripted Non-Fiction Program
Boston’s Finest – “Everything is Personal” / “Family Matters” / “Boston’s Finest”
Drugs Inc.: Season 4
Extreme Weight Loss – “Jami”

Public Service Project
It’s Time
Half of Us
OK2TALK
Truth/Girl Code: Revenge Squad

Original Internet Programming
Lauren: Season 2
Next Week’s Game
Susanna: Season 1
Performance in an Internet Program
Jennifer Beals, Lauren
Troian Bellisario, Lauren

Maggie Grace, Susanna
Anna Paquin, Susanna

About Entertainment Industries Council
EIC is a non-profit organization founded in 1983 by leaders within the entertainment industry to bring the power and influence of the industry to communicate about health and social issues. The organization is considered to be the chief pioneer of entertainment and journalism outreach and a premiere success story in the field of entertainment education. This mission relies on providing resource information to the creative community and culminates in recognition of the industry through the national television special PRISM Showcase which addresses accurate portrayals of substance use issues and mental health concerns. The organization also produces the SET Awards, honoring positive and non-stereotypical portrayals of science, engineering and technology.

For a complete list of health and social issues addressed by EIC and local projects please visit First Draft and EIC’s website. EIC’s web site is www.eiconline.org. The PRISM Awards web site is www.prismawards.com. The SET Awards web site is www.eicsetawards.com

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