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## Submissions Now Open for Art Directors Guild Production Apprentice Training Program

**LOS ANGELES, March 19, 2015** — The Art Directors Council of the Art Directors Guild (IATSE, Local 800) is calling for applicants for its third annual training program designed to develop and prepare new talent for the art and craft of Production Design.

A wide call for applicants from across the country goes out today to colleges, universities and recent graduates. Invitations for interviews will be sent to 10 finalists, with the top three selected to participate in the program.

Co-chairs of the training program, Production Designers Corey Kaplan, John lacovelli and Thomas A. Walsh, say, "This is intended to give the best and most talented aspiring designers a direct access to professional training and Guild membership. We consider this an essential service to the participants, profession and our industry."

Each selected applicant will be mentored by working Production Designers and Art Directors and will be exposed to a wide range of workplace experiences, including production in feature films, television, commercials, reality shows, live events and theme parks. This is a national program representing the ADG's Art Direction jurisdiction, which encompasses all 50 states. The trainees will be required to work 260 days, and pending their successful mentorship review, will be invited to join the ADG as Assistant Art Directors.

Those interested may visit the <u>Art Directors Guild</u> website for the complete schedule and online application. For more information, contact: 818.762.9995

## **About the Art Directors Guild:**

The Art Directors Guild (IATSE Local 800) represents nearly 2,300 members who work throughout the United States, Canada and the rest of the world in film, television and theater as Production Designers, Art Directors, and Assistant Art Directors; Scenic, Title, Graphic Illustrators and Matte Artists; Set Designers and Model Makers. Established in 1937, ADG's ongoing activities include a Film Society; an annual Awards Banquet, (#ADGAwards) a creative/technology community (5D: The Future of Immersive Design) and Membership Directory; a bimonthly craft magazine (*Perspective*); and extensive technology-training programs, creative workshops and craft and art exhibitions. The Guild's Online Directory/Website Resource is at <a href="https://www.adg.org">www.adg.org</a>.

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