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TELEVISION SUBMISSIONS FOR THE ART DIRECTORS GUILD'S 19th ANNUAL EXCELLENCE IN PRODUCTION DESIGN AWARDS BEGIN OCTOBER 7

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1, 2014— Television submissions for the Art Directors Guild (ADG) 19th Annual Excellence in Production Design Awards are set to open on October 7, 2014. This year's awards will take place on Saturday, January 31, 2015, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. The official announcement came from John Shaffner, ADG Council Chairman and ADG award producers Dave Blass and James Pearse Connelly.

Submission deadline is November 6, 2014. The Art Directors' branch first votes to determine the nominations. The second round of voting to determine the winners in all categories will be open to voting by the entire "active" ADG membership. Further inquiries regarding the ADG Award Rules may be directed to Debbie Patton in the ADG Awards Office at (818) 762-9995, email: Debbie@artdirectors.org. For a complete list of the ADG Award Rules visit www.adg.org

Nominations for ADG's Excellence in Production Design Awards will be announced January 5, 2015. The ADG will present winners in 11 competitive categories representing theatrical films, television productions, commercials and music videos.

As previously announced, the ADG Council has expanded its honorary Lifetime Achievement Awards to annually include members selected from all four of its crafts. Emmy®-winning and Oscar®-nominated Production Designer Jim Bissell has been voted this year's recipient of the ADG Council's Lifetime Achievement honor. The additional Lifetime Achievement Awards honorees from the other crafts - Scenic, Title and Graphic Artists; Illustrators and Matte Artists; Set Designers and Model Makers - will be announced in the near future. Comedian Owen Benjamin is set to host.

The ADG Excellence in Production Design Awards are open only to productions, when made within the U.S., by producers signatory to the IATSE agreement. Foreign entries are acceptable without restrictions.

The complete entry and voting timeline for the ADG Awards is:

- Tuesday, October 7, 2014 Submissions Open at www.adg.org
- Thursday, November 6, 2014 Submissions Close
- Tuesday, December 16, 2014 Online Voting for Nominations Begins
- Sunday, January 4, 2015, 5 PM (PST) Online Voting for Nominations Closes
- Monday, January 5, 2015 Nominations Announced
- Tuesday, January 6, 2015 Final Online Voting Begins
- Thursday, January 29, 2015, 5 PM (PST) Final Online Voting Ends

Saturday, January 31, 2015 - Winners Announced at ADG Awards
 * All dates subject to change

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About the Art Directors Guild:

The Art Directors Guild (IATSE Local 800) represents more than 2,000 members who work throughout the United States, Canada and the rest of the world in film, television and theater as Production Designers, Art Directors, Assistant Art Directors; Scenic, Title and Graphic Artists; Illustrators and Matte Artists; Set Designers and Model Makers; and Previs Artists. Established in 1937, the ADG's ongoing activities include a Film Society, an annual Awards Banquet, a creative/technology community (5D: The Future of Immersive Design), a bimonthly craft magazine (Perspective) and extensive technology-training programs, figure drawing and other creative workshops and year-round Gallery 800 art exhibitions. The Guild's Online Directory/Website Resource is at www.adq.org. Follow ADG on Twitter: @ADG800

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