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Nominees for AMPIA's annual Alberta Film & Television (Rosie) Awards include Alberta's brightest stars!

August 21, 2024 – With growing attention to Alberta's film and television industry, all eyes are on this year's Rosies nominations, which were released earlier today!

The Alberta Media Production Industries Association (AMPIA) is pleased to announce the finalists for the Alberta Film & Television Awards, celebrating excellence and outstanding achievement in Alberta's screen industries.

"The talent in Alberta continues to impress and to have this opportunity to recognize some of our brightest stars - both established and up-and-coming - is very exciting," says Chris Duncan, AMPIA board member and Chair of the Rosie Awards Committee.

"This year will mark a significant milestone as we host the 50th edition of the Rosie Awards, showcasing tremendous contributions to the screen industry in our province. We can't wait!"

The Rosies will be held in Calgary over **two celebrations** and tickets are selling fast as we come together to celebrate the best of the best in Alberta. The awards are the longest-running show of its kind in Canada and serves as AMPIA's largest fundraiser in advancing its mission to support local talent, offer skill development, and promote Alberta's content on the world's stage.

Forty-nine Class and Craft categories will be recognized celebrating excellence in all aspects of Alberta's screen industry. The Rosie Award finalists were selected by a jury after a total of 611 entries were submitted across all categories.

Celebrate with an afternoon of laughs showcasing Alberta's creative spirit:

Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Yuk Yuk's Calgary

Hosted by top-headlining comedian, **Todd Ness** ([link to bio](#))

Join us for an elegant evening soiree as we celebrate and recognize Alberta's exceptional achievers:

Saturday, October 19, 2024 at 7:30 p.m.

The Westin Calgary

Hosted by actor, comedian, writer, and proud member of the English River First Nation, **Dakota Ray Hebert** ([link to bio](#))

To see a complete list of finalists and for more information on the event, go to ampia.org

The **Alberta Media Production Industries Association** is a not-for-profit organization that supports the independent motion picture industry as a viable economic and cultural force within Alberta. Our priorities are three-fold: work with all levels of government to create a competitive environment for film & TV production in Alberta; provide professional development events focused on new skills, formats and business models, plus marketing and promotional opportunities; and help Alberta producers create content reflecting Alberta to Canada and the world.

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QUICK FACTS

- At over half a century, the Alberta Film & Television Awards, aka *The Rosies*, are the oldest live film and television awards event in Canada, honouring its provincial production industry.
- **Class Awards** celebrate productions, from commercials, new media, and both long and short form fiction and documentary.
 - 171 entries were received recognizing class nominees speaking to Alberta's diverse contributions to film and television.
 - There are 17 Class Awards which will recognize these individuals.
 - To qualify for an Alberta Film & Television Award a production must be produced or co-produced by a production company based in Alberta.
- Top productions showcase a wide range of Alberta's cinematic excellence including the beloved family television drama, *Heartland*; a laugh-out-loud wild comedy, *Hey Viktor!*; and receiving top nominations at 29, *Secret History: Women Warriors*, a powerful Indigenous docu/drama.
 - Also receiving notable top nods are *Tales from the Rez*, *Singing Back the Buffalo*, *PUSH Season Two*, and *Low*.
- **Craft Awards** recognize Alberta's talented screenwriters, costume and production designers, cinematographers, editors, directors, make-up artists, special effects artists, sound technicians and composers.
 - 440 entries were received recognizing craft nominees who are exceptional in their field and speaks to Alberta's growing opportunities.
 - There are 32 Craft Awards which will be recognizing individuals in these categories.
 - For any craftsman to be eligible they must have been a resident of Alberta for the 2023 calendar year.
- Top nods showcasing production talent and craftsmanship include *HERD of 1 MEDIA*, *Meta Films*, and *PIIKANIKSAAHKO BLACKFOOT NATION FILMS*, each with double-digit nominations.
 - *The National Film Board of Canada*, *Joe Media Group*, and *Numera Films* coming closely behind with nine a piece.
- Over 99 hours of footage was reviewed by judges during the selection process.
- Entries span the province with geographical representation as follows:
 - 409 entries from Calgary
 - 194 entries from Edmonton
 - 7 entries from Grande Cache
 - 1 entry from Red Deer

The complete list of nominees for the 2023 Alberta Film & Television Awards can be found [here](#).

AWARD CATEGORIES*

***Class Awards* will be given to 2024 top nominees in the following categories:**

Corporate Production Over \$30K	Corporate Production Under \$30K
Documentary Production Over 30 minutes	Documentary Production Under 30 minutes
Documentary Series	Educational Production
Fil Fraser Best Student Production	Music Video
Musical, or Variety Program or Series	Production Reflecting Cultural Diversity
Promotional Production	Public Service Announcement
TV Commercial Over \$20K	TV Commercial Under \$20K
Scripted Production Under 30 minutes	Web Series
Scripted Feature, Made-For-TV Movie, or Made-For-OTT, Scripted Series or Specialty Cable Networks	

***Craft Awards* will be given out in the following categories acknowledging the best in their field:**

Animator/Motion Graphic Artist(s)	Cinematographer - Documentary Over 30 minutes
Cinematographer- Documentary Under 30 minutes	Cinematographer - Scripted Over 30 minutes
Cinematographer - Scripted Under 30 minutes	Costume Design
Director - Documentary Over 30 minutes	Director- Documentary Under 30 minutes
Director - Scripted Over 30 minutes	Director - Scripted Under 30 minutes
Editor - Documentary Over 30 minutes	Editor- Documentary Under 30 minutes
Editor - Scripted Over 30 minutes	Editor - Scripted Under 30 minutes
Host - Web Program, Series or Stand-alone	Narrator - Web Program, Series or Stand-alone
Make-Up and/or Hair Artist	Original Music Score- Documentary
Original Music Score - Scripted	Overall Sound - Documentary Over 30 minutes
Overall Sound- Documentary Under 30 minutes	Overall Sound - Scripted Over 30 minutes
Overall Sound - Scripted Under 30 minutes	Performance - Female or Nonbinary
Performance - Male or Nonbinary	Production Designer/ Art Director(s)
Screenwriter - Documentary Over 30 minutes	Screenwriter - Documentary Under 30 minutes
Screenwriter - Scripted Over 30 minutes	Screenwriter - Scripted Under 30 minutes
Stunt Performer	Visual Effects

**Category announcements will be split between the afternoon and evening programs - order TBC.*