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***The Women's Image Network Announces Film and Television 2016 Nominees
Deserving Nominees Respond to WIN'S Media Gender Parity Nomination***

December 15, 2016 (Los Angeles) Women's Image Network, (WIN) announces its film and television nominations for The Women's Image Awards 18.

Now in year 18, Women's Image Network (WIN) produces The Women's Image Awards to honor both female and male artists who create dimensional media images to advance the value of women and girls. The winners will be announced at this awards ceremony on February 17, 2017 in Los Angeles. For the first time, WIN also invited its 2016 nominees to publicly respond to their nomination:

"Thank you for the nomination! I am very grateful... Sincerely from a French woman Isab-ELLE ...!" Isabelle Huppert, (*Elle*)

"Thank you so very much for this recognition; I wish my mom could have seen this. She was born in 1922 and saw so much change in the world. We lost her this year and she would have been very proud. It was fascinating to play a very complicated woman who was a feminist before the term was coined and before it was in fashion." Jean Smart, Actress (*Fargo* nominee)

"Thanks! That's so humbling...so glad they see this role as contributing to their very honorable agenda!"

-Actress, Rhea Seehorn (*Better Call Saul*)

"My sister and I are beyond honored to be nominated for a WIN Award. Just like the Women's Image Network, Brie and I fully believe in the value of women and girls. We love to use our platforms to empower, inspire and educate. We know the importance of being a role model not only for women but for our younger generation as well. It's something we keep very close to our hearts." Nikki Bella

"I am thrilled that "Equity" has been nominated for four WIN awards! I would like to thank the Women's Image Network for this honor as well as Tom Bernard, Michael Barker, and the entire Sony Pictures Classics team for their endless dedication promoting "Equity," and for their support of female driven content. One of my goals is to tell stories about strong, complex, three dimensional women. Exploring the lives of the brilliant, funny, and powerful women who work in the male dominated profession of Wall Street has been an incredible experience. I feel lucky to have worked with so many talented female artists on "Equity," a film which is directed, written, produced, and starring an entirely female ensemble team."
- Producer/Actor & Writer, Sarah Megan Thomas"

"I take the advancement of women and young girls quite personally. I'm proud to be a part of STARZ Network's commitment to diversity specifically on "Survivor's Remorse". The show's portrayal of women in various stages of growth moving ever forward is merely an inset to the reality that the Network provides for the powerful women we have working in every area of production from

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writing to directing and crew. I am so grateful to the Women's Image Network for recognizing this effort with my nomination as well as the nomination of the other wonderful women who have worked on my show. It is validation that the STARZ family is indeed a part of the solution. **The more we honor goodness the more goodness we create to honor.** Thank you so much!" - Erica Ash

"What a wonderful honor it is to have Casual and the role of Valerie recognized by the WIN nominating committee. I have been so impressed by the commitment of the show's creator (Zander Lehman) and our (mostly female) producing team, to exploring real, nuanced, multi-dimensional female characters. We have been so fortunate that Hulu, Lionsgate, and our show execs (Jason Reitman, Helen Estebrook and Liz Tigelaar) remain dedicated to producing unique, satisfying stories for and about multi dimensional women – both over and under the age of 40. **I'm personally extremely grateful that Women's Image Awards exist, because they reinforce our demand, as women, for the kind of complex stories that Women's Image Network champions.** Thank you Womens Image Awards!" - Michaela Watkins

"I am thrilled EQUITY is nominated for the WIN awards, as WIN is so aligned with the mission of EQUITY, BROAD STREET PICTURES and my own personal mission as an artist & woman! Congrats to Meera, Amy, Anna as well - they are all spectacular talents and I'm so excited they are getting this recognition. **I also want to congratulate SONY PICTURES CLASSICS on all their nominations - you can see how much they support women!** Thank you so much!! I am so deeply honored!"
Producer/Actor & Writer, Alysia Reiner



MFT MOVIE / MINI-SERIES

Fargo
11.22.63
Flesh and Bone
The Girlfriend Experience
American Horror Story: Hotel

DRAMA SERIES

Outlander
UnREAL
The Americans
The Path

REALITY SERIES

Sisterhood of Hip Hop
I Am Jazz
Total Divas
Good Bones

ACTRESS MFT MOVIE / MINI-SERIES

Jean Smart Fargo
Riley Keough The Girlfriend Experience
Anika Noni Rose Roots
Kirsten Dunst Fargo
Sarah Hay Flesh and Bone

ACTRESS DRAMA SERIES

Caitriona Balfe Outlander
Vera Farmiga Bates Motel
Constance Zimmer UnREAL
Rhea Seehorn Better Call Saul
Michelle Monaghan The Path

ACTRESS REALITY SERIES

The Bella Twins Total Divas
Karen E Laine Good Bones
Joanna Gaines Fixer Upper
Jazz Jennings I Am Jazz
Mina Starsiak Good Bones

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COMEDY SERIES

Girlfriends' Guide to Divorce
Younger
Crazy Ex-Girlfriend
Casual
Survivor's Remorse

ACTRESS COMEDY SERIES

Erica Ash *Survivor's Remorse*
Sutton Foster *Younger*
Lisa Edelstein *Girlfriends' Guide to Divorce*
Rachel Bloom *Crazy Ex-Girlfriend*
Michaela Watkins *Casual*

FILM DIRECTED BY A WOMAN

Janet Grillo *Jack of the Red Hearts*
Louise Osmond *Dark Horse*
Meera Menon *Equity*
Rebecca Miller *Maggie's Plan*

SHOW DIRECTED BY A WOMAN

Helen Shaver *Vikings*
Shiri Appleby *UnREAL*
Millicent Shelton *Survivor's Remorse*
Amy Seimetz *The Girlfriend Experience*
Larysa Kondracki *Power*

SHOW WRITTEN BY A WOMAN

Amy Seimetz *The Girlfriend Experience*
Diana Gabaldon *Outlander*
Bridget Carpenter *11.23.63*
Jessica Goldberg *The Path*
Lauren Houseman, Rachelle R. Williams *Survivor's Remorse*
Moira Walley-Beckett *Flesh and Bone*

FILM or SHOW PRODUCED BY A WOMAN

Gina Matthews, Teri Weinberg, *Saints & Strangers*
Jessica Goldberg, Michelle Lee, *The Path*
Bridget Carpenter, *11.23.63*
Stacey Reiss, Sharon Chang, *The Eagle Huntress*

FILM WRITTEN BY A WOMAN

Rebecca Miller *Maggie's Plan*
Lorene Scafaria *The Meddler*
Amy Fox (Screenplay), **Sarah Megan Thomas, Alysia Reiner, Amy Fox** (Story by) *Equity*
Maren Ade *Toni Erdmann*

DOCUMENTARY FILM

THE EAGLE HUNTRESS
DARK HORSE
WOMEN OF HONOR
HE NAMED ME MALALA

ACTRESS FEATURE FILM

Isabelle Huppert *Elle*
Anna Gunn *Equity*
Emma Suarez *Julieta*
Adriana Ugarte *Julieta*

FEATURE FILMS

ELLE
EQUITY
JULIETA
THE MEDDLER

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In addition to celebrating nominated, competing recipients, WIN also honors deserving individuals as either its WOMEN OF THE YEAR, LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT and/or HUMANTIARIAN honorees. The Women's Image Awards 18 honoree will be announced early January, 2017.

A few previous WIN honorees include: **Elizabeth Taylor, Lauren Bacall, Senator Barbara Boxer, Lily Tomlin, Abigail Disney, Suzanne Roberts, Pierce Brosnan, Maria Bell, Lauren Bacall, Jane Campion, Lauren Shuler Donner, Catherine Hardwicke, Irena Medavoy and Gurinder Chadha**, among others.

Since 1993, the charity Women's Image Network has produced The WIN Awards to honor outstanding individuals in politics, business, music and the media who promote gender parity through their creativity and leadership. In addition to applauding musicians, actresses, directors, writers, producers, advertising, film and television.

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