



The New Mexico Film Office Congratulates New Mexico Productions Nominated for the 64th Annual Directors Guild of America (DGA) Awards

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January 24, 2012, SANTA FE —New Mexico Film Office director Nick Maniatis announced today three New Mexico based productions have been nominated for Outstanding Directorial Achievement for the year 2011:

MOVIES FOR TELEVISION AND MINI-SERIES

JEFF BLECKNER

Hallmark Hall of Fame, Beyond The Blackboard (CBS)

Mr. Bleckner's Directorial Team:

- § Production Manager: Lester Berman (NM)
- § First Assistant Director: Anne Berger
- § Second Assistant Director: Ben Scissors
- § Second Second Assistant Director: Alex Leimone
- § Additional Second Second Assistant Director: Louis Lanni

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

PATRICIA RIGGEN

Lemonade Mouth (Disney Channel)

Ms. Riggen's Directorial Team:

- § Unit Production Manager: Brent Morris (NM)
- § First Assistant Director: Kaaren F. Ochoa (NM)
- § Second Assistant Director: Chemen A. Ochoa (NM)
- § Second Second Assistant Director: Sarah Lemon (NM)
- § Additional Second Second Assistant Director: Kevin Black

DRAMATIC SERIES

VINCE GILLIGAN

Breaking Bad, "Face Off" (AMC)

Mr. Gilligan's Directorial Team (This is Mr. Gilligan's first DGA Award Nomination):

§ Unit Production Manager: Stewart A. Lyons

§ First Assistant Director: Nina Jack

§ Second Assistant Director: Louis Lanni

§ Assistant Unit Production Manager: James Paul Hapsas

§ Second Second Assistant Directors: Anna Ramey, Joann Connolly

"These nominations are a testimony to the professionalism of our crews, our talent and our efforts to build a globally recognized industry while diversifying our economic base," Maniatis said.

The winners will be announced at the 64th Annual DGA Awards Dinner on Saturday, January 28, 2012 in the Grand Ballroom at Hollywood & Highland in Los Angeles. The DGA Awards will be hosted by director/actor/producer Kelsey Grammer.