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'CALL FOR ENTRIES' FOR 41ST ANNUAL ANNIE AWARDS BEGIN SEPTEMBER 3

BURBANK, Calif. (August 26, 2013) – The International Animated Film Society, ASIFA-Hollywood, announced its 'Call for Entries' for the 41st Annual Annie Awards to begin Tuesday, September 3. Step-by-step instructions are located at submissions.annieawards.org and are entirely on-line again this year. A complete list of Rules and Categories can be found on the Annie Awards website – www.annieawards.org -- along with up-to-the-minute updates and information about the ceremony. **Deadline to submit entries and materials is midnight Monday, November 4.** The 41st Annual Annie Awards ceremony is set for Saturday, February 1, 2014 at UCLA's Royce Hall in Los Angeles.

"In an effort to simplify the entry process, we've combined a few things that are due on November 4," said ASIFA-Hollywood President, Frank Gladstone. "Along with entries and materials, you'll need to be a current member, renew your membership or join ASIFA-Hollywood by this date to participate in the Annie Award voting." There are also new guidelines for sponsors, Gladstone explained. "Studio sponsorship contracts will also have to be in by the November 4th deadline and sponsors will not be able to take advantage of their entry benefits until their sponsor contract has been recorded. While you still need to be a professional member of ASIFA-Hollywood to submit, each sponsoring studio will also be asked to provide us with a list of designated submitters from their studio group. Finally, there will be no 'retroactive discounts' for entries that a non-sponsor has initially paid for, who then becomes a sponsor after the fact," said Gladstone.

"Of course," added Gladstone, "we continue to welcome independent entries and look forward to even more individual submissions this year."

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Entries submitted for consideration will be from productions that were released in the United States between January 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013. **The deadline to join ASIFA-Hollywood or to renew membership, to become a Sponsor, and to submit entries and materials is midnight Monday, November 4, 2013.**

ASIFA-Hollywood is the world's first and foremost professional organization dedicated to promoting the Art of Animation and celebrating the people who create it. Today, ASIFA-Hollywood, the largest chapter of the international organization ASIFA, supports a range of animation activities and preservation efforts through its membership. Current initiatives include the Animation Archive, Animation Aid Foundation, animated film preservation, special events, classes and screenings.

Created in 1972 by veteran voice talent June Foray, the Annie Awards have grown in scope and stature for the past four decades.

For up-to-the minute details and information on the Annie Awards, please visit www.annieawards.org. For information on ASIFA-Hollywood, please visit www.asifa-hollywood.org.

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