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PIXAR WINS BIG AT 43RD ANNIE AWARDS 'Inside Out' takes Best Animated Feature

LOS ANGELES, Calif. (February 6, 2016) – Pixar Animation Studios was the big winner at the 43rd Annual Annie Awards, Saturday evening at UCLA's Royce Hall. **'Inside Out'** received Best Animated Feature along with 11 other categories, including Outstanding Music – Michael Giacchino; Outstanding Editing – Kevin Nolting; Outstanding Production Design – Ralph Eggleston; Outstanding Voice Acting – Phyllis Smith as 'Sadness'; Outstanding Writing – Pete Docter, Meg LeFauve and Josh Cooley; and Best Directing – Pete Docter. This year was the first for the new category Best Animated Feature-Independent with Filme de Papel's 'Boy and the World' taking this top honor.

The Best Animated Special Production was awarded to **'He Named Me Malala'** (Parkes-MacDonald/Little Door); Best Animated Short Subject **'World of Tomorrow'** (Don Hertzfeldt); Best Animated TV/Broadcast Commercial **'Man and Dog'** (Psyop); Best General Audience Animated TV/Broadcast Production for Preschool Children **'Tumble Leaf' – Mirror** (Amazon Studios and Bix Pix Entertainment); Best Animated TV/Broadcast Production for Children **'Wander Over Yonder' – The Breakfast** (Disney Television Animation); Best Animated TV/Broadcast Production for a General Audience **'The Simpsons' - Halloween of Horror** (Gracie Films in Association with 20th Century Fox Television); Outstanding Achievement for Character Animation in a Live Action Production: **'The Revenant' – The Bear** (Regency Enterprises, New Regency Pictures, Anonymous Content, M Productions, Appian Way, RatPac-Dune Entertainment); and Best Student Film **'ed'** (Sheridan College – Taha Neyestani).

"The Annies are drawing more attention from both our industry and the general motion picture industry," said ASIFA-Hollywood Executive Director, Frank Gladstone. "We wait all year for this event and it never disappoints! It was a fun evening looking back at our history and celebrating what we have accomplished over this past year."

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Presenting the coveted Annie trophies this year were actor, producer & director **Edward James Olmos** with actress **Rita Moreno**; actor & writer **Tom Kenny** (SpongeBob SquarePants) with actress **Laraine Newman** (Dawn Of The Croods); actors **Alexander Garfin** and **Hadley Belle Miller** ("Linus and Lucy" from The Peanuts Movie) & **Snoopy via Video**; actress **Kristen Schaal** (Bob's Burgers), composer **Christophe Beck** (Frozen); **Phyllis Smith** (voice of 'Sadness' from Inside Out) with **Bing Bong (Richard Kind) via video**; Anomalisa co-directors **Charlie Kaufman** and **Duke Johnson**, **John Musker** and ASIFA-Hollywood President, Jerry Beck and Executive Director, Frank Gladstone.

This year's Juried Award recipients included **Winsor McCay** lifetime achievement award – **Joe Ranft** (posthumously), **Phil Roman** and **Isao Takahata**. The Winsor McCay Award is one of the highest honors given to an individual in the animation industry in recognition for career contributions to the art of animation. **Don Hahn** was this year's **June Foray** award recipient which honors an individual who has given significant and benevolent contributions to the art and industry of animation.

The Annie Awards™ honor overall excellence as well as individual achievement in a total of 36 categories from best feature, best feature – independent, production design, character animation, and effects animation to storyboarding, writing, music, editing and voice acting, and have often been a predictor of the annual Academy Award for Best Animated Feature. The ceremony was live-streamed again this year at www.annieawards.org/watch-it-live where animation enthusiasts and those unable to attend the event, could watch the show. **A complete list of winners can be viewed at www.annieawards.org and highlights of the ceremony will be uploaded to the Annies website in the next few weeks.**

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Created in 1972 by June Foray, the Annie Awards have grown in scope and stature for the past four decades. For more information on the Annie Awards™, please visit www.annieawards.org. For information about ASIFA-Hollywood, visit www.asifa-hollywood.org.

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