



INTERNATIONAL CINEMATOGRAPHERS GUILD

PUBLICISTS AWARDS

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“SINNERS” AND “THE PITT” WIN TOP AWARDS AT THE 63RD ANNUAL ICG PUBLICISTS AWARDS

JIMMY KIMMEL, KATE HUDSON AND NOAH WYLE ACCEPT SPECIAL AWARDS

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HOLLYWOOD – The Publicists of the [International Cinematographers Guild \(ICG\)](#), IATSE Local 600, announced the winners of the 63rd Annual ICG Publicists Awards today at a luncheon ceremony at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel in Beverly Hills.

The Maxwell Weinberg Awards for Motion Picture Publicity Campaign and Television Publicity Campaign were awarded to the teams behind the publicity campaigns for “Sinners” (Warner Bros. Pictures) and “The Pitt” (Warner Bros. Television/HBO), presented by **Pete Hammond** (film critic and awards analyst) and Actor **Tia Carrere** and **Stitch** (“Lilo & Stitch”), respectively.

Chrissy Quesada (Sony Pictures) took home the Les Mason Award for Career Achievement in Publicity, presented by previous Les Mason Award winners. **Michelle Alt** (Paramount Pictures) won the Publicist of the Year Award, presented by **Marshall Weinbaum** (Publicist) and one of her long-time clients, **Kevin Frazier** (“Entertainment Tonight”).

John Lindley, ASC (ICG Local 600 National President) presented **Jimmy Kimmel** with the President’s Award, an honor that is bestowed only on occasion of extraordinary circumstances, this year honoring Kimmel’s steadfast resilience in face of censorship.

Kimmel also received a [pre-recorded video introduction](#) from **Ben Affleck** and **Matt Damon**, in which Affleck said he could think of “no more fitting American, statesman, genius, and comedian” to win the award, while Damon’s remarks consisted primarily of vitriolic expletives.

In his acceptance speech, **Kimmel** thanked his long-time publicist Lewis Kay, with whom he has worked since 1998, joking, “I’ve never caused him any problems at all.”

He also highlighted all the Publicists of the ICG: “The reason I’m here is to thank you for 23 years of partnership and support. I would like to dedicate this to those of you who work so hard to shine a light on everyone other than yourselves.”

Filmmaker and Actor **Kate Hudson** accepted the Motion Picture Showperson of the Year Award, presented by Singer and Actor **Leslie Odom Jr.** (“Hamilton,” “Glass Onion: A Knives Out Mystery”), honoring her award-winning career and recent Academy Award® nominated work in “Song Sung Blue.”

“Making movies is an extraordinary process, it doesn’t end when we wrap. We are also tasked with bringing that magic to audiences, and publicity is a huge part of that,” said **Hudson** in her remarks about the meaning of ‘showpersonship’ to the audience of publicists. “I’m the showperson and you’re the ‘ship.’”

Director and Writer **John Wells** (“The Pitt”) presented the Television Showperson of the Year Award to **Noah Wyle**, honoring his work as Producer and Actor on the series “The Pitt,” as well as his recent activism on behalf of the medical community.

“I am so proud to have brought a television show with John [Wells] back to this city that I love. A 15-episode show that employs hundreds and hundreds of artisans and artists, and showcases their talents to the world,” said Wyle. “This town has weathered great changes before, and in fact that is what brought these guilds and unions into existence, the belief in the power of collective, the strength in our solidarity, and primacy of our creativity.”

Actor **Arden Cho** (“KPop Demon Hunters”) presented **Atsushi Nishijima** with the honor for Excellence in Unit Still Photography - Motion Picture and **Jake Giles Netter** with the award for Excellence in Unit Still Photography - Television.

Kevin McCarthy from “On Film . . . With Kevin McCarthy” took home the Press Award and **Ali Plumb** from “BBC Radio” (United Kingdom) won the International Media Award, both presented by Actor and Filmmaker **Paul Feig** (“The Housemaid”).

“Marketing campaigns are storytelling. I think of them as extensions of the films themselves,” said McCarthy in his acceptance speech.

Publicist **Cynthia Swartz** earned the Bob Yeager Award for Community Service, presented by Director and Producer **Tony Gilroy** (“Andor”), while **Pamela Golum** graciously accepted the Henri Bollinger Award for Special Merit, presented by Actor **Steven Weber** (“Chicago Med”) alongside President and Chief Operating Officer of Wolf Entertainment **Peter Jankowski**.

During the ceremony, **Sheryl Main** and **Tim Menke** received a special recognition, presented by **Sandy Bollinger**, celebrating their final year as chairs of the ICG Publicists Awards committee and honoring their 8 and 21 years serving as chairs, respectfully.

The ICG thanks its event sponsors, listed below, for support of the guild’s publicists. Proceeds from sponsorships go to the Preservation and Scholarship Fund, which provides educational sponsorships for ICG Local 600 members, as well as their descendants.

A full list of winners is available below and at <https://www.icg600.com/about-us/awards/publicists-awards>.

63rd Annual ICG Publicists Awards Winners:

MAXWELL WEINBERG AWARD FOR MOTION PICTURE PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN

The union publicists who worked on publicity campaigns on behalf of:
“Sinners” (Warner Bros. Pictures)

MAXWELL WEINBERG AWARD FOR TELEVISION PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN

The union publicists who worked on publicity campaigns on behalf of:
“The Pitt” (Warner Bros. Television/HBO)

PRESIDENT’S AWARD

Jimmy Kimmel

MOTION PICTURE SHOWPERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

Kate Hudson

TELEVISION SHOWPERSON OF THE YEAR AWARD

Noah Wyle

LES MASON AWARD FOR CAREER ACHIEVEMENT IN PUBLICITY

Chrissy Quesada, Sony Pictures

PUBLICIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

Michelle Alt, Paramount Pictures

EXCELLENCE IN UNIT STILL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD – MOTION PICTURE

Atsushi Nishijima

EXCELLENCE IN UNIT STILL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD – TELEVISION

Jake Giles Netter

PRESS AWARD

Kevin McCarthy, “On Film . . . With Kevin McCarthy”

INTERNATIONAL MEDIA AWARD

Ali Plumb, “BBC Radio” (United Kingdom)

BOB YEAGER AWARD FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Cynthia Swartz

HENRI BOLLINGER AWARD FOR SPECIAL MERIT

Pamela Golum

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ABOUT THE ICG PUBLICISTS AWARDS:

Entertainment publicists first formed a union in 1937 as the Screen Publicists Guild, later becoming the Publicists Guild. In 2002, the Publicists Guild merged with the International Cinematographers Guild (IATSE Local 600). The first Publicists Awards Luncheon was held in 1964 and has since grown to an event attended annually by some 800 publicists, press, motion picture and television industry and other IATSE leaders. Motion Picture and Television Showperson Awards and Lifetime Achievement Awards have been bestowed upon numerous esteemed actors, directors and executives. Additional awards include the

Maxwell Weinberg Awards for Television and Motion Picture Publicity Campaigns, Les Mason Award for Career Achievement in Publicity, Bob Yeager Award for Community Service, Publicist of the Year, Press Award, International Media Award and Excellence in Unit Still Photography Award for both Motion Pictures and for Television. The Guild also publishes the annual ICG Publicists Membership Directory.

ABOUT THE INTERNATIONAL CINEMATOGRAPHERS GUILD (ICG) IATSE LOCAL 600:

The International Cinematographers Guild represents approximately 9,000 members who work on feature films, television, streaming, commercials, news broadcast, documentaries and industrials as directors of photography, visual effects supervisors, camera operators, camera assistants, loaders, utilities, still photographers, digital imaging technicians, video controllers and publicists. The first cinematographers union was established in New York in 1926, followed by unions in Los Angeles and Chicago, but it wasn't until 1996 that Local 600 was born as a national guild. In addition to its work organizing, bargaining and enforcing contracts, advocating for legislation that serves working families, training and mentorship, ICG's ongoing events include the Emerging Cinematographer Awards and the ICG Publicists Awards Luncheon.

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