

# News: Visual Effects Society Announces Winners of the 12th Annual VES Awards

"Gravity" is the Big Winner with Six Awards; Frozen Dominates As Winning Animated Film "Game of Thrones" and "PETA" Score Big in the Broadcast and Commercial Categories

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(Los Angeles, California--February 13, 2014) Today, the Visual Effects Society (VES), the industry's global professional honorary society, held the 12th Annual VES Awards, the prestigious yearly celebration that recognizes outstanding visual effects artistry and innovation in film, animation, television, commercials, video games and special venues. Comedian Patton Oswalt served as host to the more than 1000 guests gathered at the Beverly Hilton to celebrate VFX talent in 24 awards categories. The teams from "Gravity," "Frozen," "Game of Thrones" and "PETA" led the wins in their respective categories, with "Gravity" taking home six awards, "Frozen" with four awards, and "Games of Thrones" and "PETA" each winning three.

Academy Award winner Sandra Bullock made a crowd-pleasing previously unannounced presentation to her *Gravity* director, Academy Award nominee Alfonso Cuarón, recipient of the VES Visionary Award. Academy Award winning visual effects pioneer John Dykstra was presented with the VES Lifetime Achievement Award by previous VES Méliès Award winner Doug Trumbull. Awards presenters included Grammy Award winner/Academy Award nominee Pharrell Williams and actors Johnny Knoxville, Bruce Boxleitner, Michael Ealy, Sophie Kennedy Clark, Jamie Kennedy, Sharon Lawrence, Richard Schiff and Alyssa Sutherland.

#### Winners of the 12th Annual VES Awards are as follows:

### Outstanding Visual Effects in a Visual Effects-Driven Feature Motion Picture

### Gravity

Tim Webber

Nikki Penny

Neil Corbould

Richard McBride

# Outstanding Supporting Visual Effects in a Feature Motion Picture

#### The Lone Ranger

Tim Alexander

Gary Brozenich

Shari Hanson

Kevin Martel

#### Outstanding Animation in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

# Frozen

Chris Buck

Jennifer Lee

Peter Del Vecho

Lino Di Salvo

#### Outstanding Visual Effects in a Broadcast Program

Game of Thrones: Valar Dohaeris

Steve Kullback

Joe Bauer

Jörn Großhans

Sven Martin

## Outstanding Supporting Visual Effects in a Broadcast Program

**Banshee: Pilot** Armen Kevorkian Mark Skowronski Jeremy Jozwik Ricardo Ramirez

### Outstanding Real-Time Visuals in a Video Game

Call of Duty: Ghosts

Mark Rubin Richard Kriegler

David Johnson

Alessandro Nardini

#### Outstanding Visual Effects in a Commercial

PETA: 98% Human

Angus Kneale

Vince Baertsoen

Colin Blaney

Kyle Cody

### Outstanding Visual Effects in a Special Venue Project

# Space Shuttle Atlantis

Daren Ulmer

John Gross

Cedar Connor

Christian Bloch

# Outstanding Animated Character in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture

The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug: Smaug

Eric Reynolds

David Clayton

Myriam Catrin

Guillaume Francois

# Outstanding Animated Character in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

Frozen: Bringing the Snow Queen to Life

Alexander Alvarado

Joy Johnson

Chad Stubblefield

Wayne Unten

#### Outstanding Animated Character in a Commercial or Broadcast Program

PETA: 98% Human

Vince Baertsoen

Alex Allain

Henning Koczy

#### Outstanding Created Environment in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture

Gravity: Exterior

Paul Beilby

Kyle MCculloch

Stuart Penn

lan Comley

## Outstanding Created Environment in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

Frozen: Elsa's Ice Palace

Virgilio John Aquino

Alessandro Jacomini

Lance Summers

David Womersley

# Outstanding Created Environment in a Commercial or Broadcast Program

Game of Thrones: The Climb

Patrick Zentis

Mayur Patel Nitin Singh Tim Alexander

#### Outstanding Virtual Cinematography in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture

Gravity

Tim Webber

Emmanuel Lubezki

Richard McBride

Dale Newton

### Outstanding Virtual Cinematography in a Live Action Commercial or Broadcast Program

The Crew

Dominique Boidin

Rémi Kozyra

Léon Bérelle

Maxime Luère

### Outstanding Models in a Feature Motion Picture

Gravity: ISS Exterior

Ben Lambert

Paul Beilby

Chris Lawrence

Andy Nicholson

## Outstanding FX and Simulation Animation in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture

Gravity: Parachute and ISS Destruction

Alexis Wajsbrot

Sylvain Degrotte

Horacio Mendoza

Juan-Luis Sanchez

#### Outstanding FX and Simulation Animation in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

Frozen: Elsa's Blizzard

Eric W. Araujo

Marc Bryant

Dong Joo Byun

Tim Molinder

### Outstanding FX and Simulation Animation in a Commercial or Broadcast Program

PETA: 98% Human

Vince Baertsoen

Jimmy Gass

Dave Barosin

### **Outstanding Compositing in a Feature Motion Picture**

### Gravity

Mark Bakowski

Anthony Smith

Theodor Groeneboom

Adrian Metzelaar

## Outstanding Compositing in a Broadcast Program

Game of Thrones: The Climb

Kirk Brillon

Steve Gordon

Geoff Sayer

Winston Lee

## Outstanding Compositing in a Commercial

Call of Duty: Epic Night Out

Chris Knight
Daniel Thuresson
Nick Tayler
Dag Ivarsory

### Outstanding Visual Effects in a Student Project

Rugbybugs

Matthias Baeuerle Carl Schroeter Martin Lapp Emanuel Fuchs

## About the Visual Effects Society

The Visual Effects Society is a professional honorary society dedicated to advancing the arts, sciences and applications of visual effects and to upholding the highest standards and procedures for the visual effects profession. It is the entertainment industry's only official organization representing the extended global community of visual effects practitioners, including supervisors, artists, producers, technology developers, educators and studio executives. VES' almost 3,000 members in 32 countries worldwide contribute to all areas of entertainment – film, television, commercials, animation, music videos, games and new media. To learn more about the VES, visit http://www.visualeffectssociety.com.

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