

12th Annual VES Awards – The Winners

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fxguide's Mike Seymour, John Montgomery and Jeff Heusser were at the VES Awards in Los Angeles tonight. We live-posted from the event with all the winners plus photos from the evening. The big winners were Gravity, Frozen and the PETA 98% Human TVC.

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This year the VES is honoring director Alfonso Cuarón with the Visionary Award and visual effects supervisor John Dykstra with the Lifetime Achievement Award. Actor and comedian Patton Oswalt is again hosting – he welcomed everybody with 'Welcome to the first annual Gravity Awards'.



Douglas Trumbull arrives at the VES Awards.
Photo by Jeff Huesser.



VES Awards host Patton Oswalt on the red carpet. Photo by Jeff Heusser.



Presenter Bruce Boxleitner arrives at the Awards.
Photo by Jeff Heusser.



Members of The Lone Ranger VFX crew.



John Dykstra arrives at the VES Awards. He is to receive the Lifetime Achievement Award.



Members of the VFX crew for White House Down.



Members of Pacific Rim's VFX crew.



VES Executive Director Eric Roth.



fxguide's view at the VES Awards. Photo by Jeff Heusser.



Jeff Okun pays tribute to Ray Harryhausen.



Presenter Alyssa Sutherland.



Douglas Trumbull.



John Dykstra was presented the Lifetime Achievement Award by Douglas Trumbull.



Sandra Bullock presents the Visionary Award to Alfonso Cuarón.



Sandra Bullock and her Gravity director.



Rob Legato.

List of Nominees and Winners for the 12th Annual VES Awards:

Outstanding Models in a Feature Motion Picture

***Gravity*: ISS Exterior – WINNER**

Ben Lambert

Paul Beilby

Chris Lawrence

Andy Nicholson

Pacific Rim

David Fogler

Alex Jaeger

Aaron Wilson

David Behrens

Star Trek: Into Darkness

Bruce Holcomb

Ron Woodall

John Goodson

Thomas Fejes

***The Lone Ranger*: Colby Locomotive**



Rene Garcia
Steve Walton
Brian Paik
Gerald Gutschmidt

Outstanding Visual Effects in a Special Venue Project

***Space Shuttle Atlantis* – WINNER**

Daren Ulmer
John Gross
Cedar Connor
Christian Bloch

Hayden Planetarium's Dark Universe

Vivian Trakinski
Jon Parker
Carter Emmart
Andreas Wetteborn

Mysteries of the Unseen World

Sean Phillips
Andy Yamada
Fred Pienkos
Matthew Sugars

Mystic Manor

Tim Landry
John Guerra
Mark Schirmer
Ken Horii

SpongeBob SquarePants 4D: The Great Jelly Rescue!

Kate Crandall



Brent Young
Michael “Oz” Smith
Andrei Brovcenco

Outstanding FX and Simulation Animation in a Commercial or Broadcast Program

***PETA: 98% Human* – WINNER**

Vince Baertsoen
Jimmy Gass
Dave Barosin

Sony PlayStation: Perfect Day

Joji Tsuruga
Gavin Wellsman
Nick Couret
Hassan Taimur

Toyota Avalon: Formula

Ed Laag
Eugene Gauran
Josh Hatton

Toy Story of Terror

Jane Yen
Rogan Griffin
Amit Baadkar
Keith Daniel Klohn



Outstanding FX and Simulation Animation in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

***Frozen: Elsa’s Blizzard* – WINNER**

Eric W. Araujo

Marc Bryant
Dong Joo Byun
Tim Molinder

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs

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Andrew Hofman
Alex Moaveni



Epic: Boggan Crowds
Thierry Dervieux-Lecocq
David Gatenby
Mark Adams
Matthew D. Simmons

The Croods
Jeff Budsberg
Andre Le Blanc
Jason Mayer
Michael Losure

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

Gravity: Parachute and ISS
Destruction – WINNER
Alexis Wajsbrot
Sylvain Degrotte
Horacio Mendoza
Juan-Luis Sanchez

Man of Steel
Brian Goodwin
Gray Horsfield



Mathieu Chardonnet
Adrien Toupet

Pacific Rim: Fluid Simulation & Destruction

Ryan Hopkins
Michael Balog
Patrick Conran
Rick Hankins

The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug

Areito Echevarria
Andreas Soderstrom
Ronnie Menahem
Christoph Sprenger

Outstanding Virtual Cinematography in a Live Action Commercial or Broadcast Program

***The Crew* – WINNER**

Dominique Boidin
Rémi Kozyra
Léon Bérelle
Maxime Luère

Mad Max: Ethos

Aladino Debert
Neil Huxley
David Liu
Michael Harbour

Murdered: Soul Suspect

Vernon Wilbert
Tim Jones
Rafael Colon



Actress Sophie Kennedy Clark accepted this award on behalf of the winners.

April Warren

Qualcomm Snapdragon: A Dragon is Coming

Joshua Wassung

Shannon Justison

Shayne Ryan

Seth Gollub

Outstanding Virtual Cinematography in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture

***Gravity* WINNER**

Tim Webber

Emmanuel Lubezki

Richard McBride

Dale Newton

Iron Man 3

Mark Smith

Aaron Gilman

Thelvin Cabezas

Gerardo Ramirez

Man of Steel

Daniel Paulsson

Edmund Kolloen

Joel Prager

David Stripinis

Pacific Rim: Hong Kong Ocean Brawl

Colin Benoit

Nick Walker

Adam Schnitzer

Victor Schutz



The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug

Christian Rivers

Phil Barrenger

Mark Gee

Thelvin Tico Cabezas

Outstanding Visual Effects in a Student Project

***Rugbybugs* – WINNER**

Alexandra Stautmeister

Initium

Alexandre Dechel

Adrien Lambert

Larochette Emeric

James Ross-Greetham



Morphium

Linus Stetter

Runaway

Ludovic Fregé

Quentin Medda

Romain Chauliac

Yoann Gouraud

Where the Dream Begins

Dun Ma

Dan Wen Lei

Xuan Xia

Outstanding Created Environment in a Commercial or Broadcast Program

Game of Thrones: The Climb* – WINNER*Patrick Zentis****Mayur Patel****Nitin Singh****Tim Alexander***Hell On Wheels: Big Bad Wolf*

Steve Meyer

Matt Von Brock

Mitch Gates

Antonio Chang

Inseparable: Chernobyl

Dmitry Ovcharenko

Igor Chopenko

Dmitry Eremenko

Andrey Bogdanov

Liberty Group Limited: Answer

Greg Teegarden

Kevin Bouchez

Brian Creasey

Kurt Lawson

**Outstanding Created Environment in an Animated Feature Motion Picture*****Frozen: Elsa's Ice Palace* –****WINNER****Virgilio John Aquino****Alessandro Jacomini****Lance Summers****David Womersley***Epic: Pod Patch*

Aaron Ross
Travis Price
Jake Panian
Antelmo Villarreal

Monsters University: Campus

Robert Kondo
Eric Andraos
Dale Ruffolo
Peter Sumanaseni

The Croods: The Maze

Jonathan Harman
Violette Sacre-Shaik
Benjamin Venancie
Philippe Brochu

Outstanding Created Environment in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture

***Gravity: Exterior* – WINNER**

Paul Beilby
Kyle Mcculloch
Stuart Penn
Ian Comley

Gravity: Interior

Harry Bardak
Nathan Walster
Jonathan Fawcner
Claire Michaud

Elysium: Torus

Votch Levi



Joshua Ong

Barry Poon

Iron Man 3: Shipyard

John Stevenson-Galvin

Greg Notzelman

Paul Harris

Justin Stockton

Pacific Rim: Virtual Hong Kong

Johan Thorngren

Jeremy Bloch

David Meny

Polly Ing

Outstanding Animated Character in a Commercial or Broadcast Program

***PETA: 98% Human* – WINNER**

Vince Baertsoen

Alex Allain

Henning Koczy

*Game of Thrones: Raising the
Dragons*

Philip Meyer

Ingo Schachner

Travis Nobles

Florian Friedmann

Smithwick's: Squirrel

Tom Bussell

Jorge Montiel

Tom Raynor

Leonardo Costa



Three, The Pony

Carsten Keller

Jake Mengers

Tim Van Hussen

Toy Story of Terror

Paul Aichele

Kiki Mei Kee Poh

Andrew Coats

Outstanding Animated Character in a Live Action Feature Motion Picture***The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug: Smaug – WINNER*****Eric Reynolds****David Clayton****Myriam Catrin****Guillaume Francois***Gravity: Ryan*

Max Solomon

Mathieu Vig

Michael Brunet

David Shirk

Oz the Great and Powerful: China Girl

Troy Saliba

In-Ah Roediger

Carolyn Vale

Kevin Souls

Pacific Rim: Kaiju – Leatherback

Jakub Pistecky

Frank Gravatt



Cyrus Jam
Chris Havreberg

Outstanding Animated Character in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

*Frozen: Bringing the Snow
Queen to Life* – WINNER

Alexander Alvarado
Joy Johnson
Chad Stubblefield
Wayne Unten

Epic: Bomba

Thom Roberts
Haven Gordon Cousins
Tim Bower
Daniel Lima

Epic: Mary Katherine

Jeff Gabor
Dylan C. Maxwell
Sang Jun Lee
Chris Pagoria

The Croods: Eep

Line Andersen
Won Young Byun
Koji Morihira
Chris De St. Jeor



Outstanding Real-Time Visuals in a Video Game

Call of Duty: Ghosts – WINNER

Mark Rubin
Richard Kriegler
David Johnson
Alessandro Nardini

Crysis 3

Magnus Larbrant
Tiago Sousa
Steven Bender
Cevat Yerli



Killzone Shadow Fall

Marijn Giesbertz
Jan-Bart Van Beek
Angie Smets

NBA 2K14

Heather Marshall
Joseph Clark
Jeff Thomas
Anton Dawson

Ryse: Son of Rome

Cevat Yerli
Peter Gornstein
Chris Evans
Brian Chambers

Outstanding Visual Effects in a Commercial

***PETA: 98% Human* – WINNER**

Angus Kneale
Vince Baertsoen
Colin Blaney

Kyle Cody

Call of Duty: Epic Night Out

Leighton Greer

Robert Sethi

Felix Urquiza

Chris Knight

Galaxy Chauffeur

Helen Hughes

Simon French

William Bartlett

Stephen Cullingford

Liberty Group Limited: Answer

James Atkinson

Rachel Mariscal

Scott Meadows

David Liu

Sony PlayStation: Perfect Day

Charlotte Arnold

Joji Tsuruga

Gavin Wellsman

Olivier Mitonneau



Outstanding Compositing in a Broadcast Program

Game of Thrones: The Climb –

WINNER

Kirk Brillon

Steve Gordon

Geoff Sayer

Winston Lee

Banshee: Pilot

Gevork Babityan
Andranik Taranyan
Matt Kelly
Matthieu Perin

The Conquering of Yunkai

Sean Faden
Greg Szafranski
Florian Friedmann
Travis Nobles

Vikings: Dispossessed

Ovidiu Cinazan
Gary Couto
Marco Lee
Maria Gordon

Outstanding Compositing in a Commercial*Call of Duty: Epic Night Out –*
WINNER

Chris Knight
Daniel Thuresson
Nick Tayler
Dag Ivarsory

Jean-Paul Gaultier: The Sailor

Jerome Billet
Arnaud Leviez

Mercedes Sensations

Laurent Creusot
Pierre Emmanuel Genin



David Roubah

Damien Canameras

Sony PlayStation : Greatness Awaits

Kyle Cody

Dan Difelice

Sony PlayStation: Perfect Day

Gavin Wellsman

John Mangia

Leonardo Costa

Kristen Johnson

Outstanding Compositing in a Feature Motion Picture

***Gravity* – WINNER**

Mark Bakowski

Anthony Smith

Theodor Groeneboom

Adrian Metzelaar

Elysium

Jean Lapointe

Jordan Benwick

Robin Hackl

Janeen Elliott

Iron Man 3: Barrel of Monkeys

Michael Maloney

Francis Puthanangadi

Justin Van Der Lek

Howard Cabalfin

Iron Man 3: House Attack



Darren Poe
Stefano Trivelli
Josiah Howison
Zach Zaubi

The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug

Charles Tait
Robin Hollander
Giuseppe Tagliavini
Sean Heuston

Outstanding Supporting Visual Effects in a Broadcast Program

***Banshee: Pilot* – WINNER**

Armen Kevorkian
Mark Skowronski
Jeremy Jozwik
Ricardo Ramirez

Da Vinci's Demons: The Lovers

Kevin Blank
Simon Frame
Ante Dekovic
Oliver Arnold

Hawaii 5-0: Ho'onani Makuakane

Armen Kevorkian
Alexander Soltes
Jane Sharvina
Andranik Taranyan

Mob City: A Guy Walks in to A Bar

Jason Sperling
Michael Morreale



Valeri Pfahning

Mike Enriquez

Moonfleet: Episode 2

Ed Bruce

Alan Collins

John O'Connell

Joe Courtis

The Borgias: Relics

Wojciech Zielinski

Neishaw Ali

Bill Halliday

Jp Giamos

Outstanding Supporting Visual Effects in a Feature Motion Picture

***The Lone Ranger* – WINNER**

Tim Alexander

Gary Brozenich

Shari Hanson

Kevin Martel

Rush

Jody Johnson

Moriah Etherington-Sparks

Mark Hodgkins

Antoine Moulineau

The Great Gatsby

Chris Godfrey

Prue Fletcher

Joyce Cox



The Secret Life of Walter Mitty

Guillaume Rocheron

Kurt Williams

Monette Dubin

Ivan Moran

The Wolf of Wall Street

Robert Legato

Mark Russell

Joseph Farrell

Lisa Spence

White House Down

Marc Weigert

Volker Engel

Julia Frey

Ollie Rankin

Outstanding Visual Effects in a Broadcast Program***Game of Thrones: Valar******Dohaeris* – WINNER****Steve Kullback****Joe Bauer****Jörn Großhans****Sven Martin***Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D.: Pilot*

Mark Kolpack

Sabrina Arnold

David Altenau

H Haden Hammond

Almost Human

Jay Worth
Robert Habros
Michael Cliett
David Beedon

Battlestar Galactica: Blood & Chrome

Gary Hutzel
Michael Gibson
Derek Ledbetter
Heather Mcauliff

Inseparable: Chernobyl

Egor Olesov
Egor Borschevsky
Dmitry Ovcharenko
Mykhailo Datsyk

Outstanding Animation in an Animated Feature Motion Picture

Frozen

Chris Buck
Jennifer Lee
Peter Del Vecho
Lino Di Salvo

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs

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Peter Nash
Michael Ford
Chris Juen
Mandy Tankenson

Despicable Me 2

Chris Meledandri



Janet Healy
Chris Renaud
Pierre Coffin

Monsters University

Kori Rae
Sanjay Bakshi
Jon Reisch
Scott Clark

The Croods

Jane Hartwell
Chris Sanders
Kirk Demicco
Markus Manninen

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

***Gravity* – WINNER**

Tim Webber
Nikki Penny
Chris Lawrence
Richard McBride

Iron Man 3

Christopher Townsend
Mark Soper
Guy Williams
Bryan Grill

Pacific Rim

John Knoll
Susan Greenhow



Chris Raimo

Hal Hickel

Star Trek: Into Darkness

Roger Guyett

Luke O'Byrne

Ron Ames

Ben Grossmann

The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug

Joe Letteri

Eric Saindon

Kevin Sherwood

David Clayton



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3 Responses to 12th Annual VES Awards – The Winners

1. It's lovely to see Softimage winning three awards. Congrats to The Mill team. Come on AD, WAKE UP! 😊

Posted by [Mauricio Cuencas](#) on February 13, 2014 at 3:57 am

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2. Congrats to all the winners and nominees. You all have really stepped up your game this year. Great coverage Ian!

Posted by David on February 13, 2014 at 5:38 am

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3. Well ... it appears that there are idiots in England as well.

<http://vfxsoldier.wordpress.com/2014/02/15/gravity-vfx-supe-us-pros-not-young-or-hungry-enough-to-compete/#more-3837>

I hope he was misquoted.

Posted by [Mauricio Cuencas](#) on February 15, 2014 at 4:36 am

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