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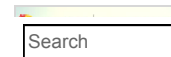
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J.J. Abrams will be honoured with the Visual Effects Society's Visionary Award in recognition of his contributions to filmed entertainment. The award will be presented at the 13th Annual VES Awards on 4 February, 2015 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

The VES Visionary Award, bestowed by the VES Board of Directors, recognises an individual who has uniquely and consistently employed the art and science of visual effects to foster imagination and ignite future discoveries by way of artistry, invention and groundbreaking work. VES will honor Abrams for his distinctive ability to harness craft and technology in creating mysterious new worlds that transport and transfix audiences.

A two-time Emmy Award winner, Abrams is the founder and president of Bad Robot Productions. In partnership with Paramount Pictures and Warner Bros. Studios, Bad Robot has produced iconic films and television series including *Cloverfield*, *Star Trek*, *Super 8*, *Mission Impossible: Ghost Protocol*, *Star Trek Into Darkness*, *Alias*, *Lost*, *Fringe* and *Person of Interest*. He is currently working on the much-anticipated next installment in the *Star Wars* saga – *Star Wars: Episode VII* – serving as director, writer and producer.

Previous winners of the VES Visionary Award have been Christopher Nolan, Ang Lee and Alfonso Cuarón.