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J.J. Abrams gets honoured as a visionary by the Visual Effects Society

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After conquering the world of television with the likes of **Alias** and **Lost**, two-time Emmy winner J.J. Abrams has gone on to create some big screen magic for blockbuster franchises **Mission: Impossible**, **Star Trek** and now **Star Wars**. In recognition of his contributions as a director, producer and writer, the Visual Effects Society will be lauding the founder and president of Bad Robot Productions with the Visionary Award at the 13th Annual VES Awards on February 4, 2015 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.



"J.J. Abrams has consistently elevated not just the technical aspect of visual effects, but also the emotional," stated Jeffrey A. Okun, VES Board Chair. "The context and expertise with which J.J. and his team have evolved visual effects is both groundbreaking and inspirational; he has redefined the relationship between the viewer and the story. You can easily see this from the epic cult followings of his highly engaging work, a testament to his expert blending of visual effects, evocative characters and a remarkable imagination."



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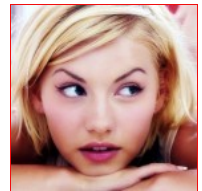
Previous honorees of the VES Visionary Award include Christopher Nolan (**Inception**), Ang Lee (**Life of Pi**) and Alfonso Cuarón (**Gravity**). "I am very touched to be receiving the Visionary Award this year," remarked J.J. Abrams. "As a lifelong fan of visual effects in film and TV, I feel so lucky to get to work with such remarkable VFX artists, and look forward to celebrating their incredible work at the VES event." Abrams will not be resting on his laurels as he is Executive Producing three upcoming TV series: **Westworld** for HBO, **Roadies** for Showtime, and a Stephen King miniseries for Hulu.



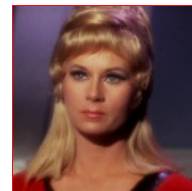
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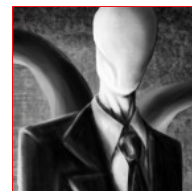
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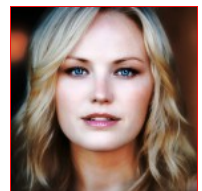
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