

J.J. Abrams to Get Visual Effects Society's Visionary Award



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J.J. Abrams has been tapped by the [Visual Effects Society](http://variety.com/t/visual-effects-society/) (<http://variety.com/t/visual-effects-society/>) as its 2015 Visionary Award honoree.

The Visionary Award is given to an individual “for uniquely and consistently employing the art and science of visual effects to foster imagination and ignite future discoveries by way of artistry, invention and groundbreaking work.”

VES will present the award to Abrams for “his distinctive ability to harness craft and technology in creating mysterious new worlds that transport and transfix audiences.”

Previous Visionary Award honorees include Christopher Nolan, Ang Lee, and Alfonso Cuarón.

Abrams is currently in production of his next film, “Star Wars: Episode VII,” on which he serves as director, scribe and producer (<http://variety411.com/us/los-angeles/producers/>), due in theaters Dec. 18, 2015.

The 13th Annual VES Awards will be held on Feb. 4, 2015.

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