Ridley Scott to receive career honour at Visual Effects Society Awards

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Filmmaker Ridley Scott will be the guest of honour at the 2015 Visual Effects Society (VES) Awards, where he will be presented with a lifetime achievement prize. The Alien director will be feted for his hugely successful career during a ceremony at the Beverly Hilton Hotel in California on 4 February (15), when he will join the ranks of previous honourees George Lucas, Steven Spielberg, James Cameron and comic book legend Stan Lee. A statement released by VES board chair Jeff Okun reads: "Ridley Scott is a defining voice of the feature, broadcast and commercial forms. His vision and contribution to the art is incomparable and his impact upon the visual effects and technical form is unparalleled." And a flattered Scott says, "The best filmmaking has always been the result of collaboration between artists, craftspeople and technicians, both in front and behind the camera. Over the years I have been very fortunate to work on films that are visual at their core and thus I have always been immensely reliant on the expertise of our visual effects teams."