



The SAG Awards® Nominating and Voting Process

The nominees for the **Screen Actors Guild Awards®** for outstanding performances in television and motion pictures are chosen each year by two panels – one for film and one for television. This year's panels were randomly selected in the spring of 2013, with each comprised of 2,200 SAG-AFTRA members from across the United States. Members who are chosen to serve on a nominating committee may not serve on that committee again until eight years have passed.

Nomination ballots were mailed on Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2013. Nominating committee votes had to be cast by Monday Dec. 9, either via the environmentally friendly online voting system or by paper ballots that had to be returned by the due date directly to Integrity Voting Systems, the SAG Awards' official teller.

Nominations for the 20th Annual SAG Awards were announced Wednesday, Dec. 11, from the Pacific Design Center in West Hollywood. The nominations announcement was carried live on TNT, as well as online at sagawards.tntdrama.com and tbs.com.

Voting information was mailed via postcard on Monday, Dec. 16, to the entire active membership of SAG-AFTRA, who will vote on all categories. In keeping with the SAG Awards commitment to sustainable practices, paper ballots will be available only upon request through Monday, January 6. Online votes or paper ballots must arrive at Integrity Voting Systems by Friday, January 17. The results will then be sealed until the night of the 20th Annual SAG Awards, which will be simulcast live on **TNT and TBS, Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014, at 8 p.m. (ET)/5 p.m. (PT)**. In addition, TNT will present a primetime encore of the ceremony at 10 p.m. (ET) / 7 p.m. (PT), immediately following the live telecast. A live stream of the SAG Awards can also be viewed online through the TBS and TNT websites, as well as through the Watch TBS and Watch TNT apps for iOS or Android. (Viewers must sign in using their TV provider user name and password in order to view the livestream.

The SAG Awards will not know how many Actor® statuettes it will need until the awards presenters open the envelopes on Jan. 18. Though the number of categories and special awards is known ahead of time, the possibility of multiple recipients sharing awards in the Outstanding Performance by a Cast in a Motion Picture, Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Drama Series and Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble in a Comedy Series categories makes the total number of statuettes that will be awarded unpredictable. Any surplus Actor statuettes will find a home in the SAG-AFTRA vault until next year.

Screen Actors Guild Awards Nomenclature

When referring to the awards, ceremony, or statuette, the following terminology and trademarks should be used:

- 20th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards®
- Screen Actors Guild Awards®
- The Actor®

Acceptable nicknames:

- 20th Annual SAG Awards[®]
- SAG Awards[®]
- The Actors[®]

