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Yara Shahidi Named an Ambassador for the 25th Anniversary Screen Actors Guild Awards®

Actor to Join Harry Shum Jr. in Celebration of Show's Silver Anniversary

***The SAG Awards® Silver Anniversary Ceremony will be simulcast live on
Sunday, January 27, 2019 on TNT and TBS at 8 p.m. ET / 5 p.m. PT***

LOS ANGELES (Jan. 7, 2019) – The multifaceted **Yara Shahidi** has been named an Ambassador for the 25th Anniversary Screen Actors Guild Awards®. In this role, she will participate in various SAG Awards® pre-show events and share her insider's view via social media. Shahidi joins Harry Shum Jr., who was previously announced as a SAG Awards Ambassador, in this special celebratory role.

Audiences can expect Shahidi to post her first-hand experiences of SAG Awards news and behind-the-scenes impressions of the production during the crucial days leading up to the show. Yara Shahidi has previously attended the SAG Awards twice as a Comedy Ensemble Nominee with her fellow cast members from *black-ish*. **The 25th Annual SAG Awards will be simulcast live on Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019 on TNT and TBS at 8 p.m. (ET) / 5 p.m. (PT).**

Yara Shahidi

Yara Shahidi features in the multiple SAG Awards, Emmy® and Golden Globe® -nominated ABC series *black-ish* as the ambitious, popular and technologically infatuated student Zoey Johnson. Shahidi now stars as the same character in the show's Freeform spin-off *grown-ish*, which sees Zoey transition from high school to higher education and impending adulthood, while recurrently appearing in *black-ish* as well. The second season of *grown-ish* premiered on Jan. 2, 2019.

Shahidi's first major break was being cast opposite Eddie Murphy in Paramount's heartwarming comedy *Imagine That* (2009). Other credits include: Sony Pictures' *Unthinkable* (2010); Columbia Pictures' *Salt* (2010); Summit Entertainment's *Alex Cross* (2012); and the Michael De Luca Productions / Weinstein Co. film *Butter* (2011). Shahidi will next be seen starring in the Warner Bros. coming-of-age romance *The Sun Is Also a Star*.

Yara Shahidi – actor, model and activist – can be found online at yarashahidi.com and as @yarashahidi on [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

About the 25th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards®

The 25th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards, presented by SAG-AFTRA with Screen Actors Guild Awards, LLC will be produced by Avalon Harbor Entertainment, Inc. and **nationally simulcast live on TNT and TBS on Sunday, Jan. 27, 2019 at 8 p.m. ET / 5 p.m. PT**, followed by a special encore presentation at 11 p.m. (ET) / 8 p.m. (PT). TNT and TBS subscribers also have the option to watch the SAG Awards live through the

network's websites, mobile apps and connected device apps. The telecast is available internationally, including to U.S. military installations through the American Forces Network.

Prior to the telecast, beginning at 5:30 p.m. ET / 2:30 p.m. PT, the honorees for outstanding television and film stunt ensemble action performances will be revealed during the official live pre-show **PEOPLE, Entertainment Weekly & TNT Red Carpet Live: 25th Screen Actors Guild Awards**.

One of the awards season's premier events, the SAG Awards annually celebrates the outstanding motion picture and television performances from the previous calendar year. Of the top industry honors presented to actors, only the SAG Awards are selected entirely by performers' peers in SAG-AFTRA. The SAG Awards was the first televised awards show to acknowledge the work of union members and the first to present awards to motion picture casts and television ensembles. For more information about the SAG Awards, SAG-AFTRA, TNT and TBS, visit sagawards.org/about.

Thumbnails of the photos and graphics available for the 25th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards are at sagawards.org/media/newsinfo/photos-and-artwork.

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