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**\*\*MEDIA OPPORTUNITY\*\***

**RSVP BY JAN. 23**

**Cocktails with the SAG Awards®: A Behind-the-Scenes Experience**

**TALENT UPDATED**

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*Thursday, Jan. 24, 2019 – 2:30 p.m. Media Call*

**WHAT:**

Get a look behind the scenes of the **25th Annual SAG Awards® Ceremony**, with special guests, seating cards, table settings, champagne, wine, exclusive cocktails, and displays of the Ceremony Auction items to benefit the SAG-AFTRA Foundation and the Post-Awards Gala gift bag. In addition, the results of the [SAG Awards/People.com Fantasy Table](#) tournament will be revealed!

Background materials are available at [sagawards.org/media/newsinfo/press-kit](http://sagawards.org/media/newsinfo/press-kit).

**WHEN:**

Thursday, Jan. 24, 2019

2:30 p.m. PT: Media Call

3 - 5 p.m. PT: Cocktails with the SAG Awards

**WHO:**

**Representing the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual SAG Awards Class of Nominees:**

- **Harry Shum Jr.** (*Crazy Rich Asians*), 25<sup>th</sup> SAG Awards Ambassador and Motion Picture Cast Nominee
- **Sydney Sweeney** (*The Handmaid's Tale*), Drama Ensemble Nominee

**On behalf of the SAG Awards:**

- **Kathy Connell**, SAG Awards Executive Producer
- **JoBeth Williams**, SAG Awards Committee Chair & SAG-AFTRA Foundation Board President
- **Daryl Anderson**, SAG Awards Committee Vice Chair and founding member
- **Jason George** (*Station 19*), SAG Awards Committee Member, SAG-AFTRA Foundation Board Member, SAG-AFTRA Board Member, SAG-AFTRA Diversity Committee Chair
- **Elizabeth McLaughlin** (*Hand of God*), SAG Awards Committee & SAG-AFTRA Los Angeles Local Board
- **Woody Schultz** (*Avatar*), SAG Awards Committee & SAG-AFTRA Performance Capture Committee Chair
- **Joe Stewart** of Shaffner/Stewart, SAG Awards Production Designer
- **Keith Greco**, SAG Awards Event Designer
- **Chris Matsumoto**, CJ Matsumoto & Sons Florists

**On behalf of the SAG-AFTRA Foundation and the SAG Awards Ceremony Auction Benefiting the SAG-AFTRA Foundation:**

- **Cyd Wilson**, SAG-AFTRA Foundation Executive Director

**On behalf of SAG Awards Corporate Partners:**

- **Vitalie Taittinger**, Artistic Director & Global Spokesperson, **Champagne Taittinger**
- **Tim McEnery**, Founder & CEO, **Cooper's Hawk Winery & Restaurants**
- **Ed Blinn**, The Blinn Group President & CEO (**Chopin Vodka & Dorda Sea Salt Caramel Liqueur**)
- **Jad Daley**, President & CEO, **American Forests**

**On behalf of the Post-Awards Gala, hosted by PEOPLE:**

- **Kadir Lopez**, Cuban artist whose original artwork will be featured at the *Havana Plaza*-themed Post-Awards Gala
- **Zoe Ruderman**, Editor for PEOPLE Digital
- **Tony Schubert** of Event Eleven, Gala Designer and Producer

**CHECK-IN & DAY CREDENTIAL REQUIRED:** Beginning at 2:30 p.m. at a table inside the Shrine Parking Structure. After checking in, staff will provide you with further directions.

**NOTE:** Media Credentials are required at all times when you are on-site at the Shrine Auditorium and Expo Hall. Media attending this event who are also credentialed for Sunday, January 27 may pick up your Sunday credential before checking in for the Behind-the-Scenes event.

**WHERE:**

Los Angeles Shrine Auditorium & Expo Hall  
700 West 32<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90007  
At the intersection on 32<sup>nd</sup> at Royal Street  
[Google Maps](#)

**PARKING:**

Park in the North Lot Classic Parking Structure on 32<sup>nd</sup> at Royal Street.

As you enter the parking structure, tell the attendant on duty that you're attending an event for the SAG Awards. There is no charge for parking. Once parked, go to the ground floor of the parking structure. Follow signage to the Media Event check-in table.

For additional directions, take a look at the map below:

<<[CLICK HERE FOR MAP & DIRECTIONS](#)>>

**RSVP:**

**Requests to attend are required by Wednesday, Jan. 23 at 5 p.m. PT to:**

Publicity Coordinator Emily Okonowsky at [awardspr@sagawards.org](mailto:awardspr@sagawards.org) or (323)-918-1440.

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