



**SAG Awards® and TNT Join Forces
with Sean Hayes and Todd Milliner of Hazy Mills Productions
to Produce the 26th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards®**

***Annual Ceremony Celebrating Outstanding Motion Picture
and Television Performances will be Simulcast Live
on Sunday, January 19, 2020 on TNT and TBS at 8 p.m. (ET) / 5 p.m. (PT)***

LOS ANGELES (October 21, 2019) – The **26th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards®** announced that **Avalon Harbor Entertainment** will team up with **Hazy Mills Productions (HMP)** to produce the annual telecast, which will honor the outstanding film and television performances of 2019. Kathy Connell, Sean Hayes and Todd Milliner will all serve as Executive Producers for the 26th SAG Awards, to be simulcast live on TNT and TBS on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2020, at 8 p.m. (ET) / 5 p.m. (PT).

Hayes and Milliner are multi-genre producers, having shepherded projects in Television, Film and on Broadway. Their breakout hit *Hot in Cleveland*, starring Betty White, Valerie Bertinelli, Wendie Malick, and Jane Leeves, launched original programming for TV Land and ran for six seasons. Its spinoff, *The Soul Man*, starring Cedric the Entertainer and Niecy Nash, ran for five seasons. In network television, HMP created and produced six seasons of the hit, supernatural drama *Grimm* for NBC/Universal Television. For Universal Television, HMP also produced the series *Crowded*, with Patrick Warburton, Carrie Preston, and Stacy Keach, and *Sean Saves the World*, with Sean Hayes and Thomas Lennon. HMP has also sold scripted pilots to CBS, ABC, FOX, CW, Showtime, FX, TruTv, UPN, TBS, SYFY, and Bravo. They currently have a 10-episode series order from Netflix for *Q-Force* - an animated LGBTQ adult spy comedy, which will be produced by Hazy Mills in conjunction with Mike Schur's *Fremulon* and written by Gabe Liebman.

On the non-scripted side, HMP is presently airing the sixth season of the Emmy Award-winning *Hollywood Game Night*, with host Jane Lynch. Hazy Mills also produced the Critics' Choice Award-nominated *The History of Comedy* for CNN. In 2016, they produced *Must See TV: A Tribute to James Burrows*. Hayes and Milliner also co-wrote and produced the Emmy award-winning *64th Annual Tony Awards*.

Hayes recently returned to his well-loved and iconic role as Jack McFarland on the NBC hit comedy *Will & Grace* in 2017. During the show's initial run, starting in 1998, Hayes' performance won him several nominations and awards, including multiple Screen Actors Guild Awards. Milliner has produced over 400 episodes of television and has been a part of two dozen stage productions, including the Tony Award-Nominated *SpongeBob Square-Pants* and *The Color Purple*, for which he won an Ovation Award.

Connell has served as a producer on the SAG Awards since its inception in 1995 when she led a small group of Screen Actors Guild Board members who devised the plans for a televised awards show based on actors honoring their union peers, including the innovative and distinctive ensem-

ble categories. Connell is Executive Producer, Awards and National Programming, for SAG-AFTRA. In this role, she serves as liaison to the SAG-AFTRA Foundation and oversees SAG-AFTRA's Special Projects Department, in addition to working on many other SAG-AFTRA initiatives. She is a member of the Producers Guild of America and the Television Academy's Producers Peer Group.

"The SAG Awards has always been 'The actors' party in the actor's house.' That's especially true this year, with Sean having won four SAG Awards," said Connell. "I look forward to working closely with Todd and Sean, who bring acclaimed production experience and a respected history of working with actors across all mediums."

"Attending the SAG Awards has always been a pleasure and a privilege for me," said Hayes. "I've been proud to participate as a voter for the past 25 years and look forward to being involved in the creative process this year."

"Hazy Mills Productions is about authenticity, honesty and humor, and we are excited to be working with partners who share the same values," said Milliner. "We are thrilled to collaborate with Kathy Connell on this great show, which honors our colleagues in the industry."

Thumbnails of the Executive Producers for the 26th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards are at <https://www.sagawards.org/media/newsinfo/photos-and-artwork>

About the 26th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards®

The 26th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards®, presented by SAG-AFTRA with Screen Actors Guild Awards, LLC will be produced by Avalon Harbor Entertainment, Inc. and Hazy Mills Productions and will be simulcast live on TNT and TBS on Sunday, January 19, 2020, at 8 p.m. (ET) / 5 p.m. (PT). For more information about the SAG Awards®, SAG-AFTRA, TNT and TBS, visit [sagawards.org/about](https://www.sagawards.org/about).

About Avalon Harbor Entertainment

Avalon Harbor Entertainment, led by SAG Awards producers--Gloria Fujita O'Brien and five-time EMMY® Award nominee Benn Fleishman--has been producing the Screen Actors Guild Awards since the 21st annual telecast.

About Hazy Mills

Formed in 2004 by EMMY Award winners Sean Hayes and Todd Milliner, Hazy Mills Productions (HMP) has produced award-winning and critically-acclaimed content in television, film, branded content, theater, and books.

About TNT

TNT, a WarnerMedia Entertainment brand, is basic cable's #1 network in primetime among young adults and is home to some of television's most popular slate of original series, including *The Alienist*, *Animal Kingdom*, *Claws*, *I Am the Night* and the upcoming sequel *The Alienist: The Angel of Darkness*. TNT's forthcoming, premium unscripted series include *Shaq Life* and the live, multiplatform event *Chasing the Cure*. TNT also presents popular shows such as *Bones* and *Castle*; primetime specials and sports coverage, including the NBA and NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championships and the forthcoming, professional wrestling league All Elite Wrestling (AEW).

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