



**WGC
Screenwriting
Awards**



**Writers Guild
of Canada**

Canada's Top Screenwriters Honoured at 2012 WGC Screenwriting Awards

For Immediate Release – Toronto, ON (April 24, 2012) – The Canadian film, TV and digital media community came out in full force last night to join the Writers Guild of Canada in celebration of Canadian screenwriters at the 16th annual WGC Screenwriting Awards.

Screenwriters **Larry Bambrick** (*Flashpoint*), **Craig David Wallace** (*Todd and the Book of Pure Evil*), **Darrin Rose** (*Scaredy Squirrel*) and **Bruce Smith** (*John A: Birth of a Country*) were just a few of those recognized for outstanding scripts. A complete list of winners follows.

Screenwriter **Mark McKinney** (*Kids in the Hall, Slings & Arrows, Less Than Kind*) was presented with the WGC Showrunner Award to honour his exceptional leadership, impressive body of work and unique creative vision.

Screenwriter **Barbara Samuels** (*North of 60, Black Harbour*) was given the Alex Barris Mentorship Award. Adam Barken, who won the 2009 TV Drama award for his *Flashpoint* script, presented the Mentorship Award to Ms. Samuels, noting her valuable work supporting emerging writers at the CFC and Humber College.

And screenwriter **Charles (Chuck) Lazer** was recognized with the Writers Block Award for his long record of service to screenwriters in Canada. Chuck served as President of the ACTRA Writers Guild Toronto Branch, and was one of the founding forces behind the Writers Guild of Canada.

The Awards show was hosted by award-winning comedian **Ryan Belleville** (*Almost Heroes*), and written by Bob Kerr (*22 Minutes*).

Dishing out the awards were special guest presenters including **Kris Holden-Ried** (*Lost Girl*), **David Paetkau** (*Flashpoint*), **Tommie-Amber Pirie** (*Michael: Tuesdays & Thursdays*), **Bob Martin** (*Drowsy Chaperone; Michael: Tuesdays & Thursdays*), **Daegan Fryklind** (*Robson Arms, The Listener*) and **Jennifer Whalen** (*22 Minutes; Insecurity*).

The 2012 Winners of the WGC Screenwriting Awards.

ANIMATION

Scaredy Squirrel "Nothing But the Tooth"

Written By **Darrin Rose**

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

My Babysitter's a Vampire "ReVamped"

Written by **Alice Prodanou**

DOCUMENTARY

Waking the Green Tiger, A Green Movement Rises in China

Written by **Gary Marcuse**

MOVIES AND MINISERIES

John A: Birth of a Country

Written By **Bruce M. Smith**

TV COMEDY

Todd and the Book of Pure Evil "A Farewell to Curtis' Arm"

Written By **Craig David Wallace**

TV DRAMA

Flashpoint "Shockwave"

Written By **Larry Bambrick**

SHORTS AND WEBSERIES

Murdoch Mysteries: The Curse of the Lost Pharaohs "The Vanished Corpse"

Written By **Patrick Tarr**

WGC SPECIAL AWARDS

The WGC Showrunner Award – **Mark McKinney**

Writers Block Award – **Charles (Chuck) Lazer**

The Alex Barris Mentorship Award – **Barbara Samuels**

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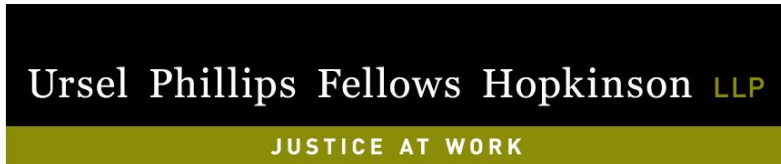
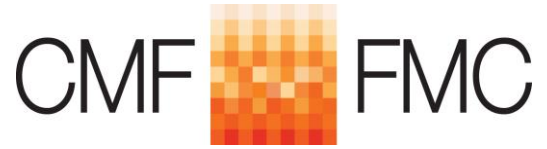


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