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ABC congratulates 6th AACTA Awards nominees

ABC heartily congratulates all our partners for their well-deserved nominations in this year's AACTA Awards. A grand total of 47 nominations were announced this morning for ABC titles and talent, and we are thrilled at this recognition.

The Beautiful Lie has been nominated for a staggering nine AACTA's; the ever-popular series *Rake* has been nominated for five, and *Changing Minds: The Inside Story* has received three. The remaining nominations represent a wide spread across drama, comedy, indigenous, arts, factual, children's and current affairs.

Richard Finlayson, Director of Television said: "The ABC is increasingly the home of choice for the cream of Australian talent, and it's wonderful to see this reflected in this excellent slate of nominations today. The AACTA Awards are Australia's highest industry accolades, crediting excellence in television and documentary screen craft so it's an honour to have ABC talent recognized with these nominations. Congratulations to all the nominees."

The full list of ABC nominees for the 6th AACTA Awards are:

BEST TELEVISION DRAMA SERIES

- ☐ **THE CODE** David Maher, David Taylor, Shelley Birse, Diane Haddon
- ☐ **JACK IRISH** Ian Collie S.P.A, Andrew Knight
- ☐ **RAKE** Ian Collie S.P.A, Peter Duncan ADG, Richard Roxburgh

BEST TELEFEATURE OR MINI SERIES

- ☐ **BARRACUDA** Tony Ayres, Amanda Higgs
- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** John Edwards S.P.A, Imogen Banks S.P.A

BEST TELEVISION COMEDY SERIES

- ☐ **BLACK COMEDY** Kath Shelper, Mark O'Toole
- ☐ **PLEASE LIKE ME** Todd Abbott, Josh Thomas, Lisa Wang, Kevin Whyte
- ☐ **UPPER MIDDLE BOGAN** Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope, Ben Grogan

BEST LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT TELEVISION SERIES

- ☐ **GRUEN** Jon Casimir
- ☐ **LUKE WARM SEX** Jon Casimir, Richard Huddleston, Karina Holden, Anna Bateman

BEST LEAD ACTOR IN A TELEVISION DRAMA

- ☐ **Matt Nable** BARRACUDA
- ☐ **Richard Roxburgh** RAKE
- ☐ **Ashley Zukerman** THE CODE

BEST LEAD ACTRESS IN A TELEVISION DRAMA

- ☐ **Sarah Snook** THE BEAUTIFUL LIE



BEST PERFORMANCE IN A TELEVISION COMEDY

- ☐ **Alison Bell** ABC COMEDY SHOWROOM – THE LETDOWN
- ☐ **Leah Purcell** BLACK COMEDY

BEST GUEST OR SUPPORTING ACTOR IN A TELEVISION DRAMA

- ☐ **Russell Dykstra** RAKE *Episode 8*
- ☐ **Hamish Michael** JANET KING – THE INVISIBLE WOUND *Episode 8 - The Long Goodbye*

BEST GUEST OR SUPPORTING ACTRESS IN A TELEVISION DRAMA

- ☐ **Caroline Brazier** RAKE *Episode 8*
- ☐ **Celia Pacquola** THE BEAUTIFUL LIE *Episode 3*

BEST DIRECTION IN A TELEVISION DRAMA OR COMEDY

- ☐ **THE CODE** *Episode 1* Shawn Seet
- ☐ **RAKE** *Episode 8* Peter Duncan ADG

BEST DIRECTION IN A TELEVISION LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT, LIFESTYLE OR REALITY SERIES

- ☐ **LUKE WARM SEX** *Episode 4 - It's a Pleasure to Meet You* Hayden Guppy
- ☐ **MEET THE MAVERICKS** *Episode 1 - Ben Quilty & Warwick Thornton* Claude Gonzalez

BEST SCREENPLAY IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **ABC COMEDY SHOWROOM – THE LETDOWN** Sarah Scheller, Alison Bell
- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** *Episode 3* Jonathan Gavin
- ☐ **UPPER MIDDLE BOGAN** *Episode 1 - New Kids on the Block* Robyn Butler, Wayne Hope

AACTA AWARD FOR BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** *Episode - 3* John Brawley

BEST EDITING IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** *Episode 6* Denise Haratzis ASE
- ☐ **JANET KING – THE INVISIBLE WOUND** *Episode 6 - The Thaw* Nicole La Macchia
- ☐ **RAKE** *Episode 7* Mark Perry

BEST SOUND IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** *Episode 6* John McKerrow, Glenn Newnham, Cameron Grant, Blair Slater, Andrew Neil, Paul Pirola
- ☐ **RAKE** *Episode 7* Guntis Sics ASSG, Michol Marsh, Peter Hall, Olivia Monteith

BEST ORIGINAL MUSIC SCORE IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **THE DIVORCE** *Episode 1* Elena Kats-Chernin AGSC

BEST PRODUCTION DESIGN IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** *Episode 3* Elizabeth Mary Moore

BEST COSTUME DESIGN IN TELEVISION

- ☐ **THE BEAUTIFUL LIE** *Episode 3* Erin Roche

BEST CHILDREN'S TELEVISION SERIES

- ☐ **PLAY SCHOOL** Jan Stradling, Sophie Emtage, Sarah Dabro, Rebecca O'Brien

BEST DOCUMENTARY TELEVISION PROGRAM

- ☐ **#BLACKLIVESMATTER** Sally Sara, Matthew Davis
- ☐ **CHANGING MINDS: THE INSIDE STORY** Karina Holden, Alison Black, Jenni Wilks
- ☐ **HITTING HOME** Nial Fulton, Sarah Ferguson, Ivan O'Mahoney
- ☐ **MATILDA AND ME** Ivan O'Mahoney, Nial Fulton, Nel Minchin

BEST DIRECTION IN A DOCUMENTARY

- ☐ **CHANGING MINDS: THE INSIDE STORY** *Episode 1* Cian O'Clery

BEST CINEMATOGRAPHY IN A DOCUMENTARY

- ☐ **CHANGING MINDS: THE INSIDE STORY** *Episode 1* Simon Morris, Cian O'Clery

BEST EDITING IN A DOCUMENTARY

- ☐ **HITTING HOME** *Episode 1* Andrew Cooke, Philippa Rowlands ASE

BEST ORIGINAL MUSIC SCORE IN A DOCUMENTARY

- ☐ **THE DIPLOMAT, THE ARTIST AND THE SUIT** Amanda Brown AGSC
- ☐ **MICHELLE'S STORY** Elena Kats-Chernin, Alies Sluiter

BEST HAIR AND MAKEUP

- ☐ **CLEVERMAN** Kath Brown, Simon Joseph, Troy Follington

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