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2012 WRITERS GUILD AWARDS SCREEN NOMINEES ANNOUNCED

Los Angeles and New York – The Writers Guild of America, West (WGAW) and the Writers Guild of America, East (WGAE) have announced nominations for outstanding achievement in writing for the screen during 2011. Winners will be honored at the **2012 Writers Guild Awards** on Sunday, February 19, 2012, during simultaneous ceremonies in Hollywood and New York.

ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY

50/50, Written by **Will Reiser**; Summit Entertainment

Bridesmaids, Written by **Annie Mumolo & Kristen Wiig**; Universal Pictures

Midnight in Paris, Written by **Woody Allen**; Sony Pictures Classics

Win Win, Screenplay by **Tom McCarthy**; Story by **Tom McCarthy & Joe Tiboni**; Fox Searchlight

Young Adult, Written by **Diablo Cody**; Paramount Pictures

ADAPTED SCREENPLAY

The Descendants, Screenplay by **Alexander Payne** and **Nat Faxon & Jim Rash**; Based on the novel by Kauai Hart Hemming; Fox Searchlight

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, Screenplay by **Steven Zaillian**; Based on the novel by Stieg Larsson, originally published by Norstedts; Columbia Pictures

The Help, Screenplay by **Tate Taylor**; Based on the novel by Kathryn Stockett; DreamWorks Pictures

Hugo, Screenplay by **John Logan**; Based on the book *The Invention of Hugo Cabret* by Brian Selznick; Paramount Pictures

Moneyball, Screenplay by **Steven Zaillian** and **Aaron Sorkin**; Story by **Stan Chervin**; Based on the book by Michael Lewis; Columbia Pictures

DOCUMENTARY SCREENPLAY

Better This World, Written by **Katie Galloway & Kelly Duane de la Vega**; Loteria Films

If a Tree Falls: A Story of the Earth Liberation Front, Written by **Marshall Curry** and **Matthew Hamachek**; Oscilloscope Pictures

Nostalgia for the Light, Written by **Patricio Guzmán**; Icarus Films

Pina, Screenplay by **Wim Wenders**; Sundance Selects

Position Among the Stars, Script by **Hetty Naaijken-Retel Helmrich, Leonard Retel Helmrich**; HBO Documentary Films

Senna, Written by **Manish Pandey**; Producers Distribution Agency

Feature films eligible for a Writers Guild Award were exhibited theatrically for at least one week in Los Angeles during 2011 and were written under the WGA's Minimum Basic Agreement (MBA) or under a bona fide collective bargaining agreement of the Australian Writers Guild, Writers Guild of Canada, Writers Guild of Great Britain, Irish Playwrights & Screenwriters Guild or the New Zealand Writers Guild. Theatrical screenplays produced under the jurisdiction of the WGA or an affiliate Guild must have been submitted for WGA awards consideration.

Documentaries eligible for a Writers Guild Award featured an onscreen writing credit and were exhibited theatrically in Los Angeles or New York for one week during 2011. Credited documentary writers were required to join the WGAW's Nonfiction Writers Caucus or the WGAE's Nonfiction Writers Caucus to be considered, but scripts need not have been written under WGA jurisdiction for consideration.

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The 2012 Writers Guild Awards will be held on Sunday, February 19, 2012, simultaneously at the Hollywood Palladium in Los Angeles and at B.B. King Blues Club in New York City. For more information about the 2012 Writers Guild Awards, please visit www.wga.org or www.wgaeast.org.

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