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#### Eastern Promises and Shake Hands With The Devil Lead in 2008 Genie Award Nominations

Away From Her & The Tracy Fragments complete top four

(Toronto, ON) January 28, 2008—The nominees for the 28th annual Genie Awards were announced today by the Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television (ACCT). Leading nominated films include Eastern Promises and Shake Hands With the Devil, both with 12 nominations followed by Away From Her with seven, The Tracey Fragments, with six, Continental, a Film Without Guns and Silk, both with five and Denys Arcand's Days of Darkness with four nominations. This year's presentation will take place Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

According to ACCT CEO Sara Morton, "2007 was an outstanding year for Canadian film and filmmaking talent, especially in English Canada." Canadian films across a wide array of genres were innovative, entertaining and critically-acclaimed, said Morton. "And, many have been honoured with international awards and nominations, making it truly a year to celebrate."

For the first time ever, the Genie Awards will be broadcast on the E! Television Network and IFC.

#### Nominees:

BEST MOTION PICTURE MEILLEUR FILM

<u>L'ÂGE DES TÉNÈBRES / DAYS OF DARKNESS</u> - Denise Robert, Daniel Louis

<u>AWAY FROM HER</u> - Daniel Iron, Simone Urdl, Jennifer Weiss <u>CONTINENTAL</u>, <u>UN FILM SANS FUSIL / CONTINENTAL</u>, <u>A FILM WITHOUT GUNS</u> - Luc Déry, Kim McCraw

EASTERN PROMISES - Robert Lantos, Paul Webster

SHAKE HANDS WITH THE DEVIL - Laszlo Barna, Michael Donovan

# ACHIEVEMENT IN ART DIRECTION/PRODUCTION DESIGN MEILLEURE DIRECTION ARTISTIQUE

ANDRÉ-LINE BEAUPARLANT - <u>Continental</u>, <u>un film sans fusil /</u> <u>Continental</u>, <u>a Film Without Guns</u>

LINDSEY HERMER-BELL, JUSTIN S.B. CRAIG -  $\underline{\text{Shake Hands With the}}$   $\underline{\text{Devil}}$ 

ROB GRAY, JAMES WILLCOCK - <u>FIDO</u> FRANÇOIS SÉGUIN - <u>SIIK</u>

CAROL SPIER - Eastern Promises

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### ACHIEVEMENT IN COSTUME DESIGN MEILLEURS COSTUMES

DOLLY AHLUWALLIA - <u>Partition</u>
DENISE CRONENBERG - <u>Eastern Promises</u>
CARLO POGGIOLI, KAZUKO KUROSAWA - <u>Silk</u>
MARY E. MCLEOD - <u>FIDO</u>
JOYCE SCHURE - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u>

#### ACHIEVEMENT IN CINEMATOGRAPHY MEILLEURES IMAGES

MIROSLAW BASZAK - Shake Hands With the Devil BRUCE CHUN - Nitro ALAIN DOSTIE - Silk VIC SARIN - Partition PETER SUSCHITZKY - Eastern Promises

### ACHIEVEMENT IN DIRECTION MEILLEURE RÉALISATION

DENYS ARCAND - <u>L'Âge des ténèbres / Days of Darkness</u> SARAH POLLEY - <u>Away From Her</u> DAVID CRONENBERG - <u>Eastern Promises</u> ROGER SPOTTISWOODE - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u> BRUCE MCDONALD - <u>The Tracey Fragments</u>

#### ACHIEVEMENT IN EDITING MEILLEUR MONTAGE

JEAN-FRANÇOIS BERGERON - <u>Les 3 P'tits Cochons / The 3 Little Pigs</u> SUSAN MAGGI - <u>Poor Boy's Game</u>

JEREMIAH MUNCE, GARETH C. SCALES - <u>The Tracey Fragments</u>

RONALD SANDERS - <u>Eastern Promises</u>

DAVID WHARNSBY - Away From Her

# ACHIEVEMENT IN MUSIC - ORIGINAL SCORE MEILLEURE MUSIQUE ORIGINALE

DAVID HIRSCHFELDER - Shake Hands With the Devil STEVE LONDON - That Beautiful Somewhere DON MACDONALD - FIDO RYUICHI SAKAMOTO - Silk HOWARD SHORE - Eastern Promises

# ACHIEVEMENT IN MUSIC - ORIGINAL SONG MEILLEURE CHANSON ORIGINALE

ALAN DOYLE - <u>Young Triffie's Been Made Away With</u> - Young Triffie's Been Made Away With VALANGA KHOZA, DAVID HIRSCHFELDER - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u> - Kaya BYRON WONG, LUKE NICHOLSON - <u>Poor Boy's Game</u> - Breathe

## PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTOR IN A LEADING ROLE INTERPRÉTATION MASCULINE DANS UN PREMIER RÔLE

ROY DUPUIS - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u>
MARC LABRÈCHE - <u>L'Âge des ténèbres / Days of Darkness</u>
CLAUDE LEGAULT - <u>Les 3 P'tits Cochons / The 3 Little Pigs</u>
VIGGO MORTENSEN - <u>Eastern Promises</u>
GORDON PINSENT - <u>Away From Her</u>

### PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTOR IN A SUPPORTING ROLE INTERPRÉTATION MASCULINE DANS UN RÔLE DE SOUTIEN

DANNY GLOVER - Poor Boy's Game

GUILLAUME LEMAY-THIVIERGE - Les 3 P'tits Cochons / The 3 Little Pigs

ARMIN MUELLER-STAHL - Eastern Promises

MICHEL ANGE NZOJIBWAMI - Shake Hands With the Devil

GILBERT SICOTTE - Continental, un film sans fusil / Continental, a Film Without Guns

### PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTRESS IN A LEADING ROLE INTERPRÉTATION FÉMININE DANS UN PREMIER RÔLE

ANNE-MARIE CADIEUX - Toi / You

JULIE CHRISTIE - Away From Her

ELLEN PAGE - The Tracey Fragments

MOLLY PARKER - Who Loves the Sun

BÉATRICE PICARD - Ma tante Aline / My Aunt Aline

### PERFORMANCE BY AN ACTRESS IN A SUPPORTING ROLE INTERPRÉTATION FÉMININE DANS UN RÔLE DE SOUTIEN

MARIE-GINETTE GUAY - <u>Continental</u>, un film sans fusil / <u>Continental</u>, a Film Without Guns VÉRONIQUE LE FLAGUAIS - <u>Surviving My Mother / Comment survivre à sa mère LAURENCE LEBOEUF - <u>Ma fille mon ange</u></u>

FANNY MALLETTE - <u>Continental</u>, <u>un film sans fusil / Continental</u>, <u>a Film Without Guns</u> KRISTEN THOMSON - Away From Her

### ACHIEVEMENT IN OVERALL SOUND MEILLEUR SON D'ENSEMBLE

CLAUDE LA HAYE, DANIEL BISSON, HANS PETER STROBL, BERNARD GARIÉPY STROBL - <u>Silk</u> ERIC FITZ, JO CARON, GAVIN FERNANDES, BENOÎT LEDUC - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u> JOHN J. THOMSON, STEPHAN CARRIER, MARTIN LEE - <u>Citizen Duane</u> JOHN HAZEN, MATT CHAN, BRAD DAWE - <u>The Tracey Fragments</u> STUART WILSON, CHRISTIAN COOKE, OREST SUSHKO, MARK ZSIFKOVITS - Eastern Promises

#### ACHIEVEMENT IN SOUND EDITING MEILLEUR MONTAGE SONORE

MARTIN PINSONNAULT, PIERRE-JULES AUDET, MICHELLE CLOUTIER, SIMON MEILLEUR, LOUIS MOLINAS - Nitro

WAYNE GRIFFIN, ROBERT BERTOLA, TONY CURRIE, GORO KOYAMA, MICHAEL O'FARRELL - <u>Eastern</u> Promises

MARIE-CLAUDE GAGNÉ, DIANE BOUCHER, GUY FRANCOEUR, CLAIRE POCHON, JEAN-PHILIPPE SAVARD - Roméo et Juliette

MARCEL POTHIER, GUY FRANCOEUR, ANTOINE MORIN, GUY PELLETIER, FRANÇOIS SENNEVILLE - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u>

STEVEN MUNRO, PAUL SHIKATA, JOHN SIEVERT, DAVID DRAINIE TAYLOR - The Tracey Fragments

### ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY MEILLEUR SCÉNARIO

PIERRE LAMOTHE, CLAUDE LALONDE - <u>Les 3 P'tits Cochons / The 3 Little Pigs</u> DENYS ARCAND - <u>L'Âge des ténèbres / Days of Darkness</u> MARC-ANDRÉ LAVOIE, SIMON OLIVIER FECTEAU, DAVID GAUTHIER - <u>Bluff</u> STEVE KNIGHT - <u>Eastern Promises</u> DOUGLAS COUPLAND - <u>Everything's Gone Green</u>

### ADAPTED SCREENPLAY MEILLEURE ADAPTATION

SARAH POLLEY - <u>Away From Her</u> MICHAEL DONOVAN - <u>Shake Hands With the Devil</u> MAUREEN MEDVED - <u>The Tracey Fragments</u>

#### BEST DOCUMENTARY MEILLEUR DOCUMENTAIRE

<u>PANACHE / ANTLERS</u> - André-Line Beauparlant, Danielle Leblanc <u>RADIANT CITY</u> - Gary Burns, Jim Brown, Bonnie Thompson, Shirley Vercruysse <u>SHARKWATER</u> - Robert Stewart

### BEST LIVE ACTION SHORT DRAMA MEILLEUR COURT MÉTRAGE DRAMATIQUE

<u>APRÈS TOUT</u> - Alexis Fortier Gauthier, Élaine Hébert
<u>FAIRE CHALUIM MHIC LEÒID / THE WAKE OF CALUM MACLEOD</u> - Marc Almon, Nona MacDermid
<u>REGARDING SARAH</u> - Michelle Porter, Amy Belling
<u>SCREENING</u> - Anthony Green, Philip Svoboda
<u>THE TRAGIC STORY OF NLING</u> - Jeffrey St. Jules, Larissa Giroux

#### **BEST ANIMATED SHORT**

#### MEILLEUR COURT MÉTRAGE D'ANIMATION

<u>HERE AND THERE</u> - Diane Obomsawin, Marc Bertrand <u>JEU</u> - Georges Schwizgebel, Michèle Bélanger, Marcel Jean <u>MADAME TUTLI-PUTLI</u> - Maciek Szczerbowski, Chris Lavis, Marcy Page

For a full list of the 28<sup>th</sup> annual Genie Awards nominations, go to <a href="https://www.genieawards.ca">www.genieawards.ca</a>.

A limited number of film screeners are available to the media upon request

#### About the Academy of Canadian Cinema & Television (ACCT)

The ACCT is a national, non-profit, professional association dedicated to the promotion, recognition and celebration of exceptional achievements in the Canadian film and television industries. Created in 1979, and today unifying almost 4,000 industry professionals across Canada, the Academy has become a vital and integral force in the industry.

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