

CANADIAN SEMAINE DU
SCREEN WEEK CANADA À L'ÉCRAN
2019

Members Lounge

MASTER SCHEDULE

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TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2019

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Networking Breakfast

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Stream: Social Change

Protecting the Source | Journalism in Today's Divisive Political Climate

Protecting the Source | Journalism in Today's Political Climate is a thought-provoking panel discussion with award-winning Canadian correspondents, examining the evolving conversation in news and journalism, with a focus on: covering sensitive topics, long-form investigations and podcasting, media ethics, exposing corruption, protecting sources, and walking the line between news and entertainment.

Moderator: **Hamutal Dotan**, Senior Editor, The Walrus

Guests:

Paul Barnsley, Executive Producer, APTN Investigates

Manisha Krishnan, Senior Writer & Host, VICE Canada

Habiba Nosheen, Investigative Correspondent, CBC News

Etan Vlessing, Canada Bureau Chief, The Hollywood Reporter

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Collaboration Hub

Do you need to take a meeting to discuss a new project? Are you looking for a creative environment for a small group to gather and exchange ideas? No problem! The Members Lounge has reserved this time for industry members to work and meet during Canadian Screen Week. Free WiFi available.

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Lunch

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1:45 PM - 2:45 PM Stream: Special Awards

The Power of the Image

The Power of the Image is an eye-opening conversation about the integral role of visual researching in documentary and factual content, with Special Award recipient, Elizabeth Klinck, and accomplished documentary director, Jennifer Baichwal. We'll discuss the visual researching process, how the intermingling archival footage and stills from past and present can evolve our expectations of the future, and the way a single image can punch a viewer in the gut and change their world view.

Moderator: **Sarain Fox**, Host | Activist | Performer

Guests:

Jennifer Baichwal, Director | Producer, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Ted Rogers Best Feature Length Documentary

Elizabeth Klinck, Archive Producer, 2019 Academy Board of Directors' Tribute recipient

3:15 PM - 4:15 PM Stream: Film / TV

Programming Partner: Deluxe

Post-Production Excellence on the Global Stage

Post-Production Excellence on the Global Stage is a dynamic panel discussion that examines the growing global recognition of Canadian television's post-production landscape, by delving into case studies of success stories: *The Expanse*, *Alias Grace*, *Polar*, *Sharkwater Extinction*, and *The Handmaid's Tale*. We'll hear from venerated industry pros who share their insight into the creative collaboration process that shaped these projects from the production stage, through to editorial, colour grading, and sound. Gain insider knowledge about how these pros achieved exemplary post-production execution.

Moderator: **Trevor Hogg**, Freelance Journalist

Guests:

Bill Ferwerda, Senior Colourist, Deluxe

Steve Foster, Senior Re-Recording Mixer, Deluxe

D. Gillian Truster, CCE, Picture Editor

Lori A. Waters, Post Producer

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Networking Cocktails

Partner: Deluxe

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2019

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Networking Breakfast

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Stream: Digital Screens

Programming Partner: William F. White International Inc.

Global Reach | A Story about a Web Series

Global Reach | A Story about a Web Series tackles the proliferation of content and discovery of niche global audiences, which has never been easier than it is today. Clicks and views are needed to generate fandom, which leads to viewer dedication and measurable success. These accomplished creators, producers, and directors share their journeys, and let us in on their secrets for finding the stories that keep the viewers hungry for more. They'll discuss how they funded their projects, as well as their approach to development, production and post, and quality control.

Moderator: **Mélanie Lê Phan**, Executive in Charge of Production, Scripted Digital Originals for CBC

Guests:

Lauren Corber, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Best Web Program or Series, Fiction

Kate Green, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Best Web Program or Series, Fiction

Vanessa Matsui, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Best Web Program or Series, Fiction

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM Lunch

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Stream: Film / TV

Programming Partner: William F. White International Inc.

In Conversation with J. Miles Dale

Academy award-winning producer J. Miles Dale take us on a journey through his storied career, which spans a wide range of genres and platforms, from film and television to producing and directing. Our esteemed guest will share insight into his process, his prolific creative relationship with Guillermo del Toro, and the tenacity required to succeed as a producer. Producers are often the unsung heroes of a project, involved from the earliest moment of development to the end of the road, and veteran producer J. Miles Dale will share his insight about what it takes to make an impact in Canada and abroad with your creative projects.

Interviewer: **Radheyana Simonpillai**, Culture Writer | Film Critic

Guest: **J. Miles Dale**, Producer | Director

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2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Stream: Film / TV

Programming Partner: William F. White International Inc.

The New Guard | Dismantling the Status Quo

The New Guard | Dismantling the Status Quo is a thoughtful panel discussion with emerging Canadian filmmakers who have risen to the top of the class in 2019. Each of these filmmakers has approached their production and film in their own unique way, writing their own rules. We'll hear their thoughts on finding their place in the Canadian industry, discovering their partners for first or second features, discussing today's challenges, and how each of them plans to tackle the future. These folks are the very definition of the next generation, and we'll hear why they are disrupting the old models to get their films made.

Moderator: **Chandler Levack**, Journalist | Filmmaker

Guests:

Jasmin Mozaffari, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Achievement in Direction

Gloria Kim, Writer | Director

Mike Peterson, Filmmaker

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Networking Cocktails

Partner: William F. White International Inc.

THURSDAY, MARCH 28, 2019

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Networking Breakfast

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Stream: Business and Entrepreneurship

Programming partner: NABET 700-M UNIFOR

Spotlight on Growth | The GTA's Booming Film/TV Industry

Spotlight on Growth | The GTA's Booming Film/TV Industry is a discourse confronting how the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)'s international recognition as a desirable production hub continues to grow. From Toronto's Port Lands redevelopment project, to new purpose-built studios, and the stellar reputation of the highly skilled crews, we ask the question: is this a bubble that's about to burst? Hear from industry leaders and union chiefs about how they will address supply and demand, the continued advancement of our specialized workforce, and why the projected expansions will work to keep attracting more production opportunities.

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Spotlight on Growth | The GTA's Booming Film/TV Industry Continued

Moderator: **Nicole Stamp**, Performer | Writer | Host

Guests:

Magali Simard, Film Sector Development Officer, City of Toronto

Jonathan Ahee, President, NABET 700-M UNIFOR

Cynthia Lynch, Managing Director and Counsel, FilmOntario

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM Lunch

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Stream: Film / TV

Programming Partner: NABET 700-M UNIFOR

Aesthetics of Comedy

Aesthetics of Comedy is a spirited panel discussion with industry pros whose cinematic arts' specialties encompass hair, makeup, and wardrobe. They will shed a light on the mechanics of working in comedic genres and on revealing tone through their work. How do these experts propel the comedy forward and give it the right underscore to shine? We'll look at balancing "real life" looks and outlandish choices, as well as how to determine the age-old question: "How far is too far?"

Moderator: **Sharron Matthews**, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Best Supporting Actress, Drama

Guests:

Peggy Kyriakidou, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Achievement in Hair

Joanna Syrokomla, CAFTCAD Awards President & Costume Designer

Sid Armour, Film, Television and Fashion Makeup Artist

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Stream: Film / TV

Programming Partner: NABET 700-M UNIFOR

In Conversation with Vincenzo Natali

An intimate conversation with renowned director Vincenzo Natali. Known worldwide for his unique style and strong aesthetic, Natali has directed across many genres with some of his most compelling work borne of sci-fi and horror. We'll hear how Vincenzo approaches his work and why storyboarding his projects gives him the freedom to be flexible. We'll delve into the ups and downs of the industry, the way in which Vincenzo's process changes from film to television, and how his latest film, *In the Tall Grass*, comes at just the right time.

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In Conversation with Vincenzo Natali Continued

Interviewer: **Priya Rao**, Director of Operations, First Weekend Club

Guest: **Vincenzo Natali**, Director

4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Networking Cocktails

Partner: NABET 700-M UNIFOR

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2019

9:00 AM - 9:30 AM Networking Breakfast

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Stream: Business and Entrepreneurship

Programming Partner: Canadian Media Producers Association

Media Entrepreneurs | The Ultimate Risk Takers

Media Entrepreneurs | The Ultimate Risk Takers is an insightful panel discussion with high-level executives, who are experienced in the high stakes game of mergers and acquisitions. They will share how they developed successful national and international business partnerships to grow their companies and will reveal common miscalculations and oversights. Practical advice about setting up the right building blocks for future business growth, as well as developing the inner-entrepreneur. We'll learn about the how and why of large financial deals in creative industries – everything you need to know!

Moderator: **Liz Shorten**, Senior Vice-President, Operations and Member Services, (CMPA-BC)

Guests:

Christina Jennings, Chairman & CEO, Shaftesbury

Anne Loi, Chief Commercial Officer, DHX Media

John Young, Chief Executive Officer, Boat Rocker Media

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Programming Partner: The Directors Guild of Canada in Ontario

Creative Collaborations on Baroness von Sketch

Creative Collaborations on Baroness von Sketch explores the vital relationship between director, production designer, and location manager through the complicated lens of the *Baroness von Sketch Show*. Every episode takes viewers on a dizzying array of sets and locations, interiors and exteriors, from high-powered boardrooms to dirty bedrooms. We hear from one of the ultimate dream teams that pulls it all together. Taking us through their extraordinarily good planning skills and ability to accept the unknown, this lively conversation will let us in on the secrets to this team's success.

Moderator: **Kelly Townsend**, *Playback*, Staff Writer

Guests:

Jordan Canning, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Best Direction, Variety or Sketch Comedy

Naz Goshtasbpour, Production Designer

Beverley Kolbe, Location Manager

12:30 PM - 1:30 PM Stream: Working Lunch

Programming Partner: Techify

Cybersecurity for Indie Production Companies

Cybersecurity for Indie Production Companies is a discussion tackling industry best practices in the topic on everyone's mind: cybercrime prevention. Cybersecurity is on everyone's mind. It may feel like a big unknown, but there are pathways to address this growing concern. What are your cyber-weaknesses? Which threats are invisible to you? Find out industry best practices about how to protect your media and your company's sensitive materials.

Guest: **Brendan Howe**, President & CEO, Techify Inc.

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1:45 PM - 2:45 PM Stream: Business and Entrepreneurship

Programming Partner: Ontario Creates

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Monetization and Diversification | Structuring your Content Portfolio

Monetization and Diversification | Structuring your Content Portfolio examines the ways and means by which our accomplished panellists have achieved financial and critical success as independent producers in The New Now. As the media landscape changes, and the older financing and distribution models continue to crumble, adapting is essential. We will delve into our guests' noteworthy strategies for profit and portfolio diversification, format innovations, and staying ahead of the curve. They will share their missteps, pivots, and long-term predictions for the evolving cultural media industry.

Moderator: **Jordan Pinto**, Associate Editor, *Playback*

Guests:

Floyd Kane, Creator, Executive Producer, *Diggstown*

Jennifer Holness, President, Writer, Producer, *Hungry Eyes*

Mark Montefiore, President and Executive Producer, *New Metric Media*

3:15 PM - 4:15 PM Stream: Special Awards

In Conversation with Brad Wright

In Conversation with Brad Wright provides an intimate conversation with Special Award recipient, Brad Wright, a prolific producer and screenwriter who is best known as the creator of *Travelers* and co-creator of *Stargate SG-1*, *Stargate Atlantis*, and *Stargate Universe*. He will share his in-depth knowledge on creating content in Canada, Canadians on the international stage, the writers' room, working with traditional and streaming broadcasters, and finding your elusive franchise hit.

Interviewer: **Jason Whiting**, Writer | Producer

Guest: **Brad Wright**, 2019 Margaret Collier Award recipient

4:30 PM - 5:30 PM Networking Cocktails

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SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2019

9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Networking Breakfast

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Stream: Business and Entrepreneurship

Programming Partner: SPINVFX

The Tastemakers | Today's Media Mavericks

The Tastemakers | Today's Media Mavericks is a candid panel discussion with today's powerful decision-makers in screen-based industries, in Canada and abroad. Our esteemed guests detail their ascent to their current positions, the challenges they faced, and how they acknowledged various stakeholders along the way. What does it mean to be a tastemaker on the international stage? Taking cues from the history of filmmaking, we will look to where the industry is going, and how we can learn from each other to stay relevant and successful in this changing industry. Our panelists will provide relatable advice on how one can develop their business acumen and creative instincts, as well as defining the attributes that drive successful business practices in the media sector today.

Moderator: **Beth Janson**, Chief Executive Officer, Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television

Guests:

Jenn Kuzmyk, Executive Director, Banff World Media Festival

Anita Lee, Executive Producer, National Film Board of Canada

Emanuele 'Manny' Danelon, Producer

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM Stream: Working Lunch

Programming Partner: SPINVFX

Inside the Academy Apprenticeship for Women Directors

Inside the Academy Apprenticeship for Women Directors features an engaging conversation with a participant from this year's Apprenticeship for Women Directors program, and their director-mentor. They will discuss their on-set mentorship experience, as well as the evolving role of women and the diversity of perspective that is permeating the tapestry of today's media industry.

Guests:

Warren P. Sonoda, Filmmaker, Director-Mentor on *Murdoch Mysteries*

Alicia K. Harris, Filmmaker, 2018-2019 Apprenticeship for Women Directors Participant

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1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Stream: Film / TV

Programming Partner: SPINVFX

The Creatures are Coming to Life

The Creatures are Coming to Life is a fascinating panel discussion about bringing creatures to life from concept and design to sculpture and visual effects with famed creature creator Cesar Dacol Jr. These creatures reside in the dark corners of our dreams and nightmares, and our accomplished panelists will detail their process of making these creatures inhabit the emotions and worlds of many beloved films and television shows. They will share their inspiring journeys as artists and let us peek into the studio with a creature walkthrough that reveals the painstaking creation process and the imaginative rewards.

Moderator: **Amanda Lariviere**, VFX Producer, SPINVFX

Guests:

Cesar Dacol Jr, Creature Art Director, SPINVFX

Tenille Shockey, Prosthetic Makeup FX Artist

2:30 PM - 3:30 PM Stream: Special Awards

Programming Partner: SPINVFX

The Inimitable Mary Walsh on Firecracker!

The Inimitable Mary Walsh on *Firecracker!* features funny gal Naomi Snieckus, as she interviews 2019 Special Award recipient, Mary Walsh, for *The Firecracker Department* Podcast's Canadian Screen Week edition. This exuberant conversation will highlight women in the changing industry, how to find that comedy gold, reflections on an impressive body of work, and what's still left to tackle.

Interviewer: **Naomi Snieckus**, Performer | Writer | Host

Guest:

Mary Walsh, 2019 Earle Grey Award recipient, 2019 Canadian Screen Awards Nominee, Best Lead Actress, Drama Program or Limited Series, and Best Supporting or Guest Actress, Comedy

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Saturday, March 30, 2019 Continued

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM Closing Cocktail

Partner: SPINVFX

Special presentation with guests Jill Golick and Tracey Deer of Women In View

To kick off our Closing Cocktail, Jill Golick and Tracey Deer, the leadership team behind the non-profit organization Women In View, will reveal the findings of their 2019 On Screen Report, in an eye-opening and inspiring presentation.

Guests:

Jill Golick, Executive Director, Women in View

Tracey Deer, Chair, Women in View

Erin Creasey, Manager, Industry Initiatives, Ontario Creates

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