

# WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA 74<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AWARDS CATEGORIES

## Screenplay:

Original, Adapted, Documentary

**Series:** Television and New Media series with episodes over 15 minutes in length are eligible

**Comedy**

**Drama**

**New**

**(1A)\* Long Form— Original – and**

**(1B)\* Long Form— Adaptation - Over one hour:** A long form television or new media motion picture is a motion picture, over one hour in length, including **MOWs** and **limited series**.

An **original long form** teleplay is a teleplay that is not based on any source material of a story nature.

An **adapted long form** teleplay is a teleplay that is based on previously exploited material of a story nature (e.g. a novel, a produced play or a series of published articles) or any other material written outside of the Guild's jurisdiction. **Sequels and remakes** will be considered adapted teleplays.

A **limited series (including miniseries)** is defined as at least two but not more than 13 episodes with a total running time of at least three broadcast or exhibition hours that is based on a single theme or story line which is resolved within the piece. **Limited series** that are four hours or less may be submitted in their entirety or in part (i.e., one part, one airing or exhibition time), and a synopsis, if any, may be submitted for the remainder. In the case of limited series over four hours, up to four hours may be submitted and a synopsis permitted for the remainder.

**(2)\* Animation – Any length, one airing time**

**(3)\* Episodic Drama – and**

**(4)\* Episodic Comedy –Television:** One hour or less, one airing time (synopsis, if any, permitted for remainder). **A Pilot Script** must be entered in category #3 or #4, regardless of broadcast or exhibition length.

**New media:** Over 15 minutes in length - not to exceed one hour; one exhibition time (synopsis, if any, permitted for remainder).

**(5A)\* Comedy/Variety - Talk Series**

**(5B)\* Comedy/Variety—Music, Awards, Tributes and Specials**

**(5C)\* Comedy/Variety - Sketch Series**

**(5D)\* Comedy/Variety—Quiz and Audience Participation**

**(6A)\* Documentary Script—Current Events – Any length, one part, one airing time (synopsis permitted for remainder)**

**(6B)\* Documentary Script—Other Than Current Events – Any length, one part, one airing time (synopsis permitted for remainder)**

**(7A)\* News Script—Regularly Scheduled, Bulletin, or Breaking Report – One air date**

**(7B)\* News Script—Analysis, Feature, or Commentary – One air date**

**(8)\* Daytime Drama**

**(9)\* Children's Episodic, Long Form and Specials – Intended primarily for children**

**Episodic:** Over 15 minutes but not more than one hour, one part, one airing or exhibition time

**Long Form and Specials:** Over one hour, one or two parts, one or two airing or exhibition times

**(10)\* Radio/Audio Documentary – Any length**

**(11)\* Radio/Audio News Script—Regularly Scheduled, Bulletin, or Breaking Report**

**(12)\* Radio/Audio News Script—Analysis, Feature, or Commentary**

**(13)\* On-Air Promotion Radio or Television**

**(15A)\* Short Form New Media—Original – Less than 15 minutes in length**

**(15B)\* Short Form New Media—Adapted – Less than 15 minutes in length**

**(16)\* Digital News – Any length text – only material posted online, including news, current events, commentary, criticism or opinion.**

**\*Please see Special Instructions**

