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CBS Sponsors WES Awards, Honoring Neema Barnette Producer & Director of the Hit TV Show Queen Sugar Executive Produced by Ava DunVernay & Oprah Winfrey

NEW YORK, NY, USA, September 20, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- AFRICAN AMERICAN WOMEN IN CINEMA (AAWIC) PRESENTS THE 2ND ANNUAL WES (WOMEN OF EXCELLENCE AWARDS) OCTOBER 13, 2016

Founded by world renowned filmmaker Terra Renee, African American Women In Cinema (AAWIC) is the premier international organization designed for women of color to showcase their talents in all aspects of film making, which include producing, writing, directing and acting, as well as behind-the-scenes work. The innovative programs of African American Women in Cinema (AAWIC) include an annual film festival, workshops throughout the year, networking events, along with panels and social activities.

On October 13, 2016, for the second year in a row, African American Women In Cinema (AAWIC) will present the WES (Women of Excellence Awards) at Morgan Stanley, 1585 Broadway, New York City. This esteemed VIP awards ceremony has been designed to honor leading women who have paved the way for those who are following in their footsteps in various industries.

The 2016 class of honorees includes Neema Barnette, Producer & Director, Queen Sugar, Executive Produced by Oprah Winfrey & Ava DuVernay; Connie DeLaigle, Affirmative Action Coordinator for Minority Women Business Owners for Port Authority NY/NJ; Moikgantsi Kgama, Founder of Image Nation; Carol Ann Shine, Co-founder of Blackhouse Foundation; Josie Thomas, CBS Executive EVP Chief Diversity, Inclusion Office and Nneka Onuorah, Producer, Black Girl Rocks. Sponsors include C2G Group at Morgan Stanley, CBS, Fineline Kreative. Media Sponsors are Diversity Women Magazine & Blacknoir.nyc.

The evening will be hosted by Television Host Yonathan Elias.

WHAT: WES (Women of Excellence) Awards WHEN: October 13, 2016 WHERE: Morgan Stanley, New York City TIME: 7:00 PM (VIP Reception) 8:00 PM Event TICKETS: Early VIP \$100 available on-line at <u>aawic.org</u> Regular VIP Tickets \$150.00 (After October 3rd)

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