

# PAGE International Screenwriting Awards Unveils 2017 Winners

*Prizes Go to Writers from Six Continents*

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, October 16, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The PAGE International Screenwriting Awards announced its 2017 winners today, and the list includes writers from Australia, Brazil, Canada, England, Kenya, Mexico, Pakistan, Sweden and the U. S.

This year's \$25,000 Grand Prize was awarded to Kendell Courtney Klein for her biopic "Jane," the story of the young Jane Goodall. Klein is an AFI graduate and is represented by WME and Plattform. In addition, Gold, Silver, and Bronze Prizes were presented to writers in each of the contest's 10 genre categories.

A record high of 6,364 scripts were submitted to the PAGE Awards contest this year, and over the course of five rounds of competition, the scripts were judged by a total of 94 industry professionals. This year's judges included producers, literary representatives, script consultants, and production executives from such companies as Fuzzy Door Productions, Infinitum Nihil, BET, Good+Fear, Zero Gravity, UTA, Peck Entertainment, Bellevue Productions, Echo Lake, Madhouse, UP TV, Lee Stobby Entertainment, Unofficially Unlimited, Beach Pictures, and many others.



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*Kristin Overn, PAGE International Screenwriting Awards*

Jason Clark, president of Fuzzy Door Productions, which produces projects for Seth MacFarlane said, "This was the first time we read for PAGE, and we were impressed by the strong writing and compelling stories." Margaret French Isaacs of Infinitum Nihil, the company headed by actor Johnny Depp, remarked "All of the scripts were extremely well-executed and highly commercial ideas." "The originality and diversity of the stories being told by these writers from all over the world is incredibly impressive," said Julie Pacino of Unofficially Unlimited.



PAGE Awards presents Grand Prize to screenwriter Kendall Courtney Klein

world and is recommended by HuffPost, The AFW and Script Reader Pro, among others. Unlike most other contests, entrants can choose between 10 genres and their scripts are not judged against entries in different categories.

Kristin Overn, founder and executive director of the PAGE Awards, said about the 2017 competition, "It's extremely exciting to see entries from over 80 foreign countries and winners from six continents this year – making the 'international' part of our name very accurate. There is so much talent out there waiting to connect with Hollywood gatekeepers, and we're very proud to help make that happen for so many writers."



PAGE has helped many of its winning writers launch successful screenwriting careers. From its past winners, 142 scripts have been optioned, 97 projects produced, and 104 writers have been hired for staff positions and open writing assignments so far. Past winners have gone to write films and TV shows such as "The Accountant," "Maggie," "The Judge," "Mayhem," "The Walking Dead" (AMC), "Bates Motel" (A&E), "The Flash" (CW), and "Ozark" (Netflix). Submissions for the 2018 competition open December 1, 2017 at [www.pageawards.com](http://www.pageawards.com).

Here is a complete list of the 2017 winners of the PAGE International Screenwriting Awards:

#### GRAND PRIZE

##### JANE

Kendell Courtney Klein  
Toluca Lake, California

#### ACTION/ADVENTURE

##### Gold Prize

##### WHITE TIGER

Jasmer Towner  
London, England

##### Silver Prize

##### INTERSTATE

Kevin Jones  
Olympia, Washington

##### Bronze Prize

##### A FEW GOOD FELONS

Joel Strunk  
Union, Maine

#### COMEDY

##### Gold Prize

HOMER'S ODYSSEY  
Alex Drummond  
Los Angeles, California

Silver Prize  
THE BEGINNING OF THE END AND THE END  
David Lambertson  
Fountain Valley, California

Bronze Prize  
THIRD WHEEL  
Maggie Behrens & Berlyn Lee  
Portland, Oregon

#### DRAMA

Gold Prize  
MALCOLM X & JFK  
Clifford Yost  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

Silver Prize  
THE ORTONS  
June Escalante  
Norwalk, California

Bronze Prize  
SOPHIE & VALENTINA  
Lucy Luna  
Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico

#### FAMILY FILM

Gold Prize  
BURAQ  
Maazin Kamal  
Karachi, Pakistan

Silver Prize  
ROBOMUTT  
A.T. Schultz  
Valley Stream, New York

Bronze Prize  
CHRISTMAS FOREVER HOME  
Jody Thompson  
Vancouver, BC, Canada

#### HISTORICAL FILM

Gold Prize  
RUNNING A THOUSAND MILES  
Jennifer Grand  
West Hollywood, California

Silver Prize  
WYLER  
Michael Moskowitz  
Huntington Beach, California

Bronze Prize  
HIDDEN  
Jon Smith & Ian Masters  
Nairobi, Kenya

## SCIENCE FICTION

Gold Prize  
THE CAVALIER  
Chris Dennis  
Pleasant View, Tennessee

Silver Prize  
TOWER 9  
Ryan Lee  
Los Angeles, California

Bronze Prize  
PINOCCHIO WARS  
Damian Knoll, Ryan Oyler & Jay Murphree  
Winter Garden, Florida

## THRILLER/HORROR

Gold Prize  
THE DEAD FARANG  
Brian Askew  
Pasadena, California

Silver Prize  
STAGE FOUR  
Jerome Velinsky  
Sydney, NSW, Australia

Bronze Prize  
KILL OR CURE  
Charlotte Cameron  
London, England

## SHORT FILM

Gold Prize

THE SCIENCE OF HAPPINESS

Huelah Lander

Vancouver, BC, Canada

Silver Prize

FOUND

Eduardo Hanson de Moura

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Bronze Prize

SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST

Dimitri Neos

Arlington, Virginia

## TV DRAMA PILOT

Gold Prize

THE GOLDEN CAGE

Oskar Nordmark

Stockholm, Sweden

Silver Prize

DAYS OF RAGE

Nathan Wilcoxon

Gurnee, Illinois

Bronze Prize

THRUST

Jill Hoppe

Pasadena, California

## TV COMEDY PILOT

Gold Prize

DISORDER

Miley Tunnecliffe

Footscray, Victoria, Australia

Silver Prize

KILLING IT

Joanne Lee

Los Angeles, California

Bronze Prize

PROVOCATEUR

Ross Maloney & Jay Calhoun

Los Angeles, California

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