



Nominations Announcement Presenter Biographies

Anna Faris — Anna Faris stars in CBS' hit comedy *Mom* opposite Allison Janney. Additionally, Faris has recently launched her first podcast titled *Anna Faris is Unqualified* where she answers relationship questions submitted by listeners with surprise celebrity guests.

Faris has executive-produced and starred in the feature films *The House Bunny* and *What's Your Number*. In the hit film *The House Bunny*, Faris starred as the leading role of Shelley Darlington, a Playboy Bunny who is kicked out of the mansion and tries to adjust to life on the outside. The project was hatched from an original idea by Faris and she collaborated with the writers of *Legally Blonde* on the script. Recently, Faris starred as the female lead opposite Sasha Baron Cohen in Paramount's *The Dictator*.

Faris co-starred in the Oscar® nominated film *Lost in Translation*, alongside Bill Murray and Scarlett Johansson for director Sofia Coppola. The critically acclaimed box-office hit earned Faris rave reviews. She also appeared in *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs 2* where she reprised her animated role as Sam Sparks from the original box office hit *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*. Faris' additional feature films include *I Give It a Year*, *Observe & Report*, *Brokeback Mountain* for director Ang Lee, for which Faris received an Actor® nomination as a member of the cast, *Smiley Face* for director Gregg Araki, *Yogi Bear*, *Alvin & The Chipmunks: The Squeakquel*, *Take Me Home Tonight*, *Mama's Boy*, *Just Friends*, *Waiting*, *Frequently Asked Questions About Time Travel*, and *Scary Movie*, *Scary Movie 2*, *Scary Movie 3*, and *Scary Movie 4*.

On television, Faris has had memorable recurring roles on *Entourage* as "Herself" and on the final season of *Friends*, playing a surrogate mother to Monica and Chandler's adopted baby. Originally from Seattle, Faris started acting in the theatre at a young age. She currently lives in Los Angeles.

Anthony Mackie — Anthony Mackie, who was classically trained at the Juilliard School of Drama, is a critically acclaimed actor who is able to capture a plethora of characters.

He currently stars in Seth Rogen's holiday hit *The Night Before* and Paul Bettany's *Shelter* with Jennifer Connelly. In February 2016 he will star in *Triple 9* opposite Woody Harrelson and Kate Winslet. Mackie just wrapped production on the HBO adaptation of the Tony Award-winning play *All the Way*, in which he plays Martin Luther King Jr. opposite Bryan Cranston's Lyndon B. Johnson.

Most recently Mackie starred in *Love the Coopers* with a wonderful ensemble cast and *Our Brand is Crisis* opposite Sandra Bullock. He also was recently seen on the big screen in *Black or White* opposite Kevin Costner and Octavia Spencer, and *Playing It Cool* with Chris Evans and Michelle Monaghan.

Mackie is a member of the Marvel Comics family, too. He made his Marvel debut as Sam Wilson/The Falcon in *Captain America: The Winter Soldier*, which opened at No. 1, earning over \$96 million and breaking the record for an April release. He reprised his character in *Avengers: Age of Ultron*, *Ant-Man* and the upcoming *Captain America: Civil War* (May 2016).

Other highlights from his impressive and varied list of film credits include Kathryn Bigelow's multi-Oscar® winning *The Hurt Locker*, for which Mackie received an Actor® nomination as a member of the cast, as well as Jonathan Demme's *The Manchurian Candidate* and Rodney Evans' *Brother to Brother*.

Mackie also thrives on live theater. The rave reviews he received playing Tupac Shakur in the off-Broadway *Up Against the Wind* led directly to his auspicious film debut as Eminem's nemesis in Curtis Hanson's *8 Mile*. Recently Mackie was part of the production of August Wilson's 10-play cycle *20th Century* at the esteemed Kennedy Center.

Ken Howard — Ken Howard is the first elected president of Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA), having previously served as SAG-AFTRA co-president after the historic merger of the two performers unions on March 30, 2012. Howard was re-elected president of SAG-AFTRA for a second term on Aug. 20, 2015.

An actor's actor, Howard has earned a formidable list of credits and several awards, including his second Emmy in 2009 for his role in HBO's critically acclaimed *Grey Gardens*. Howard also appeared as U.S. Attorney General Harlan F. Stone in the motion picture *J. Edgar*, in the recurring role of Hank Hooper in NBC's award-winning primetime series *30 Rock* and as Judge Warren in the motion picture *The Judge*.

Howard is a Tony-winning actor (*Child's Play*) who made his professional debut on Broadway in 1968 and has since performed in nearly 40 stage productions, seven of which were on Broadway. He has also appeared in more than 20 feature films. On television, he has starred in numerous series, miniseries and movies, in addition to making countless guest appearances. He helped create *The White Shadow*, a groundbreaking television series in which he starred from 1978-1982. He then went on to have recurring roles on shows such as *Dynasty* and *Crossing Jordan*. The veteran character actor has also portrayed several U.S. presidents in his career, including George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Warren G. Harding.

Howard spent three years in Cambridge, Mass., (1986-89) teaching at the American Repertory Theatre, Harvard University and Harvard Law School. He authored the book *Act Natural*, published by Random House in 2003.

Howard serves on the board of directors of the Screen Actors Guild Foundation, is a trustee of The Actors Fund, and represents SAG-AFTRA as a vice president on the AFL-CIO Executive Council.

JoBeth Williams — JoBeth Williams became a member of the SAG Awards® Committee in 2006 and is president of the board of the charity the SAG-AFTRA Foundation. Her 1979 film debut in *Kramer vs. Kramer* led to starring roles in such wide-ranging films as *Poltergeist*, *The Big Chill*, *Stir Crazy*, *American Dreamer*, *Switch*, *Fever Pitch*, *In the Land of Women*, *The Big Year* and *The List*.

She currently is filming the tense TNT thriller *Home*, produced by Jerry Bruckheimer, having previously appeared in numerous movies for television like *Baby M*, *My Name is Bill W.*, *Adam*, *Sybil* and *In My Dreams*. She has done a number of series, most recently NBC's *Marry Me* and the TBS sitcom *Your Family or Mine*. Williams previously starred in two other series – John Grisham's *The Client* and the comedy *Payne* – and played recurring characters on *Dexter*, *Private Practice* and *Hart of Dixie*.

Ms. Williams has been nominated for three Emmys®, two Golden Globes® and an Oscar®, the latter for directing the short film *On Hope*. She began her career on the New York stage in plays such as John Guare's *Gardenia*, with James Woods and Sam Waterston; *Moonchildren*; and *A Couple of White Chicks*. Her most recent stage work includes *Other Desert Cities* at the Mark Taper Forum, *The Fall to Earth* at the Odyssey Theatre, *The Quality of Life* at the Geffen Playhouse, *Body Awareness* at the Atlantic Theatre Company in New York and *The Night is a Child* at the Pasadena Playhouse.

Jason George — Jason George is an actor with over 50 guest star and numerous series regular primetime television roles to his credit. He can currently be seen in *Grey's Anatomy* as Dr. Ben Warren, Miranda Bailey's husband, a role introduced in 2009 as recurring that expanded to series regular in 2013. George is also known for his work as a regular on ABC's *Mistresses* with Alyssa Milano.

Originally, George and his mentor—a Virginia Supreme Court Justice—had mapped out a career path in law. However, a college friend coaxed Jason into taking an acting class where he discovered his true calling on the stage. The career change paid off in 1997 when George beat out 14,000 hopefuls in a nationwide search and landed his first major acting job on Aaron Spelling's *Sunset Beach*, a role that earned him a Daytime Emmy® nomination. George joined the SAG Awards Committee in 2015 and continues his service as chair of the SAG-AFTRA Diversity Advisory Committee.

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