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NOMINEES FOR THE 18TH COSTUME DESIGNERS GUILD AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The Awards Gala will take place on Tuesday, February 23rd at the Beverly Hilton Hotel

LOS ANGELES, CA (January 7, 2016) – Nominees for the 18th Costume Designers Guild Awards (CDGA), which celebrates excellence in film, television, and short form costume design, were announced today. The CDGA ceremony, one of the most prestigious and well-respected entertainment industry awards season events, celebrates the spirit of creative and engaging storytelling through costume design on both the big and small screen. The winners of the seven competitive awards will be revealed at the black-tie gala on Tuesday, February 23rd at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

Continuing its long-time support of the Guild, LACOSTE is returning as Presenting Sponsor of the CDGA. In the past year, LACOSTE has been featured in films such as *Spotlight*, *Pitch Perfect 2*, and *Ricki and the Flash*, as well as in numerous television shows including *Scream Queens*, *Bloodline*, *Jane the Virgin*, and *Saturday Night Live*.

This year's LACOSTE Spotlight Award will be presented to two-time Academy Award[®] winning actress, **Cate Blanchett**. Acclaimed film director, screenwriter, producer, and actor **Quentin Tarantino** will receive the Distinguished Collaborator Award in recognition of his support of Costume Design and creative partnerships with Costume Designers. An Honorary Career Achievement Award will be presented to Costume Designer **Ellen Mirojnick** for her outstanding work in film and television. Revered Master Dyer **Edwina Pellikka** will be honored with the Distinguished Service Award.

"I would like to congratulate all of the nominees of the 18th Costume Designers Guild Awards. We look forward to celebrating the work of our members as well as this year's honorees at our awards gala on February 23rd," said **Salvador Perez**, President of the Costume Designers Guild Local #892.

Below is the list of nominees announced today by the Costume Designers Guild:

Excellence in Contemporary Film

Beasts of No Nation – Jenny Eagan
Joy – Michael Wilkinson
Kingsman: The Secret Service – Arianne Phillips
The Martian – Janty Yates
Youth – Carlo Poggioli

Excellence in Period Film

Brooklyn – Odile Dicks-Mireaux
Carol – Sandy Powell
Crimson Peak – Kate Hawley
The Danish Girl – Paco Delgado
Trumbo – Daniel Orlandi

Excellence in Fantasy Film

Cinderella – Sandy Powell
Ex Machina – Sammy Sheldon Differ
The Hunger Games: Mockingjay, Part 2 – Kurt and Bart
Mad Max: Fury Road – Jenny Beavan
Star Wars: The Force Awakens – Michael Kaplan

Outstanding Contemporary Television Series

American Horror Story: Hotel – Lou Eyrich
Empire, Season 1 – Rita McGhee
House of Cards – Johanna Argan, Kemal Harris
Ray Donovan – Christopher Lawrence
Transparent – Marie Schley

Outstanding Period Television Series

The Knick – Ellen Mirojnick
Mad Men – Janie Bryant, Tiffany White Stanton
Masters of Sex – Isis Mussenden
Outlander – Terry Dresbach
Penny Dreadful – Gabriella Pescucci

Outstanding Fantasy Television Series

Game of Thrones – Michele Clapton
Once Upon a Time – Eduardo Castro
Sleepy Hollow, Season 2 – Kristin M. Burke, Mairi Chisholm
Sleepy Hollow, Season 3 – Mairi Chisholm
The Wiz Live! – Paul Tazewell

Excellence in Short Form Design

And So It Begins, Old Spice Commercial – Mindy Le Brock
From the Makers of Happy & Merry, H&M Presents Katy Perry Commercial – B. Åkerlund
The Hobbit: Kingdoms of Middle-earth – Dance Battle, Video Game, Kaboom/Warner Interactive Commercial – Soyon An
Kevin Spacey, E-Trade Commercial – Johanna Argan
Most Interesting Man in the World Wins on Land, Sea & Air, Dos Equis Commercial – Julie Vogel

Find the CDGA on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#) and use #CDGA18. For updates and live tweeting during the show [@CostumeAwards](#).

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ABOUT THE COSTUME DESIGNERS GUILD:

The Costume Designers Guild, IATSE local 892, is a proud member of the international alliance of theatrical stage employees. In addition to our union services, we promote the artistry, technical expertise, and creative vision of our members who design authentic fictional characters with accuracy and integrity. The Guild's membership includes over 900 costume designers and illustrators working in motion pictures, television, commercials, music videos, and new media programs throughout the world.

ABOUT LACOSTE:

For LACOSTE, Life is a Beautiful Sport! Since the very first polo shirt was created in 1933, LACOSTE relies on its authentic sportive roots to spring optimism and elegance on the world thanks to a unique and original lifestyle for women, men and children. With a vision to be the leading player in the premium casual wear market, the Crocodile brand is today present in 120 countries through a selective distribution network. Two LACOSTE items are sold every second in the world. As an international group gathering 10,000 women and men, LACOSTE offers a complete range of products: apparel, leather goods, fragrances, footwear, eyewear, homewear, watches, and underwear, all of them being elaborated in the most qualitative, responsible, and ethical way. In 2013, the brand garnered a turnover of 1.8 billion euros. For more information: www.lacoste.com

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If it is necessary to abbreviate "costume designer" for space, please use "designer."