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AARP The Magazine Announces The 16th Annual Movies For Grownups® Award Winners

Loving Selected Best Picture of 2016; Denzel Washington and Annette Bening Score Top Acting Honors

Star-Studded Annual Awards to be celebrated in Los Angeles on Monday, February 6, 2017

WASHINGTON, DC—AARP The Magazine today announced the winners of the 16th Annual Movies for Grownups[®] Awards. In doing so, the editors continue their integral role in awards season by honoring the best films with unique appeal to movie lovers with a grownup state of mind and by recognizing the inspiring artists who make them. With **Loving** and **Denzel Washington** and **Annette Bening** among the top honorees, this year's winners will be celebrated at AARP Movies for Grownups[®] Awards on February 6, 2017. Three-time Emmy award-winning film and stage actress **Margo Martindale** will host the evening at the historic Beverly Wilshire in Los Angeles.

"AARP's Movies for Grownups Awards is one of the loveliest events of the season, one that is intimate and elegant and honors the films, filmmakers and film actors that people really respond to," says actress Margo Martindale.

Best Picture goes to *Loving,* the story of Richard and Mildred Loving, an interracial couple, whose challenge of the anti-miscegenation law in Virginia went all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court. **Annette Bening** and **Denzel Washington** lead this year's acting honorees and will take home **Best Actress** and **Best Actor** awards for their work in *20th Century Women* and *Fences*, respectively.

This year's **Best Supporting Actress** award will go to **Viola Davis** for her outstanding performance in **Fences** and **Jeff Bridges** earns the **Best Supporting Actor** for his performance in **Hell or High Water**. This year's **Best Director** and **Best Screenwriter** awards will go to **Kenneth Lonergan** for **Manchester by the Sea**. Actor, producer and Academy Award-winner **Morgan Freeman** will receive the evening's highest honor, the 2016 **Movies for Grownups Career Achievement Award**.

"AARP is delighted to celebrate the very best movies of 2016 and the outstanding work by the filmmakers and actors who make them," says Myrna Blyth, Senior Vice President and Editorial Director for AARP Media. "These are the top movies for grownups made by tremendously talented grownups."

The 16th Annual Movies for Grownups [®] Award Winners are:

- Best Picture: Loving
- Best Actress: Annette Bening (20th Century Women)
- **Best Actor:** Denzel Washington (*Fences*)
- Best Supporting Actress: Viola Davis (Fences)
- **Best Supporting Actor:** Jeff Bridges (*Hell or High Water*)
- **Best Director:** Kenneth Lonergan (*Manchester by the Sea*)
- Best Screenwriter: Kenneth Lonergan (Manchester by the Sea)
- Best Comedy/Musical: La La Land
- **Breakthrough Achievement:** Robert Mrazek (*The Congressman*)
- Best Grownup Love Story: Margo Martindale and Richard Jenkins (The Hollars)
- Best Documentary: The Beatles: Eight Days a Week
- Best Intergenerational Film: 20th Century Women
- Best Buddy Picture: Jennifer Saunders and Joanna Lumley (Absolutely Fabulous: The Movie)
- Best Time Capsule: lackie
- Best Movie for Grownups Who Refuse to Grow Up: Kubo and the Two Strings
- **Best Foreign Language Film:** *Elle* (France)

Event proceeds benefit AARP Foundation, which helps struggling people 50 and older in Los Angeles and around the country transform their lives through programs, services and legal assistance. Chase Card Services, through its AARP® Credit Card from Chase, is the presenting sponsor of AARP's Movies for Grownups® Awards event.

With weekly news and reviews, nationwide screenings, and an annual awards event, the Movies for Grownups[®] initiative champions movies for grownups, by grownups.

For more information about AARP's Movies for Grownups® Awards, go to www.aarp.org/moviesforgrownups. The entire list of award winners will also be featured in the February/March Issue of AARP The Magazine, available in homes February 1st.

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About AARP The Magazine's Movies For Grownups® Awards' Philanthropic Goals

The annual Movies for Grownups® Awards raises funds for AARP Foundation, AARP's affiliated charity, which helps struggling people 50-plus in Los Angeles and around the country transform their lives through programs, services and vigorous legal advocacy. The foundation works to ensure that low-income older adults have nutritious food, functional and affordable housing, steady income, and strong and sustaining social bonds.

AARP Foundation is active in Los Angeles. It is working with the Motion Picture & Television Fund (MPTF) to develop programs to reduce social isolation among older people, by keeping them connected with their friends, families and neighborhoods. AARP Foundation also is the founding sponsor of L.A. Kitchen, where California produce considered "waste" is used to make healthy meals for those in need.

About AARP The Magazine

With more than 37 million readers, *AARP The Magazine* is the world's largest circulation magazine and the definitive lifestyle publication for Americans 50-plus. *AARP The Magazine* delivers comprehensive content through health and fitness features, financial guidance, consumer interest information and tips, celebrity interviews, and book and movie reviews. *AARP The Magazine* was founded in 1958 and is published bimonthly in print and continually online. Learn more at www.aarp.org/magazine/. Twitter: twitter.com/AARP

About AARP

AARP is the nation's largest nonprofit, nonpartisan organization dedicated to empowering Americans 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. With nearly 38 million members and offices in every state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, AARP works to strengthen communities and advocate for what matters most to families with a focus on health security, financial stability and personal fulfillment. AARP also works for individuals in the marketplace by sparking new solutions and allowing carefully chosen, high-quality products and services to carry the AARP name. As a trusted source for news and information, AARP produces the world's largest circulation publications, AARP The Magazine and AARP Bulletin. To learn more, visit www.aarp.org or follow @AARP and @AARPadvocates on social media.

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