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AARP The Magazine Announces Nominees for the 18th Annual Movies for Grownups® Awards

The Best Movies for Grownups to be Honored at the Annual Awards in Los Angeles on Monday, February 4, Hosted by Comedian Martin Short

LOS ANGELES—AARP The Magazine today announced the nominees for the upcoming 18th Annual Movies for Grownups® Awards, with A Star Is Born, BlacKkKlansman, Can You Ever Forgive Me?, Green Book and Roma contending in the Best Picture/Best Movie for Grownups category. The awards celebrate 2018's standout films with unique appeal to movie lovers with a grownup state of mind and recognize the inspiring artists who make them. Celebrated comedian and actor Martin Short will host the star-studded evening at the Beverly Wilshire, Beverly Hills on Monday, February 4.

In the **Best Actress** category, nominations go to **Sandra Bullock** (*Bird Box*), **Glenn Close** (*The Wife*), **Viola Davis** (*Widows*), **Nicole Kidman** (*Destroyer*) and **Julia Roberts** (*Ben Is Back*). In the **Best Actor** category, nominees include **Willem Dafoe** (*At Eternity's Gate*), **Hugh Jackman** (*The Front Runner*), **Viggo Mortensen** (*Green Book*), **Robert Redford** (*The Old Man & the Gun*), **John C. Reilly** (*Stan & Ollie*). The esteemed **Movies for Grownups Career Achievement Award** goes to **Shirley MacLaine**.

The nominees for **Best Supporting Actress** are **Angela Bassett** (*Black Panther*), **Blythe Danner** (*What They Had*), **Judi Dench** (*All Is True*), **Nicole Kidman** (*Boy Erased*) and **Michelle Yeoh** (*Crazy Rich Asians*).

In the Best Supporting Actor category, Robert Duvall (Widows), Sam Elliott (A Star Is Born), Richard E. Grant (Can You Ever Forgive Me?), Robert Forster (What They Had) and Ian McKellen (All Is True) are nominated. The 2018 Movies for Grownups nominees for Best Director are Kenneth Branagh (All Is True), Alfonso Cuarón (Roma), Peter Farrelly (Green Book), Mimi Leder (On the Basis of Sex) and Spike Lee (BlacKkKlansman).

"2018 was a banner year for a sensational collection of movies that resonated with the powerful 50-plus audience," said Myrna Blyth, Senior Vice President and Editorial Director for AARP Media. "As our Movies for Grownups franchise continues to grow, AARP will continue to collaborate with the filmmaking industry and support high-quality films that celebrate grownups."

The *Movies for Grownups Awards* will be broadcast for the second consecutive year on PBS. Co-produced by the *Great Performances* series, the Awards premiere <u>Friday</u>, <u>February 15 at 9 p.m. on PBS (check local listings)</u> and will stream the following day on <u>pbs.org/gperf</u> and PBS apps.

The complete list of the 18th Annual Movies for Grownups Awards Nominees:

- Best Picture/Best Movie for Grownups: A Star Is Born, BlacKkKlansman, Can You Ever Forgive Me?, Green Book and Roma
- **Best Actress:** Sandra Bullock (*Bird Box*), Glenn Close (*The Wife*), Viola Davis (*Widows*), Nicole Kidman (*Destroyer*) and Julia Roberts (*Ben Is Back*)
- **Best Actor:** Willem Dafoe (*At Eternity's Gate*), Hugh Jackman (*The Front Runner*), Viggo Mortensen (*Green Book*), Robert Redford (*The Old Man & the Gun*) and John C. Reilly (*Stan & Ollie*)
- **Best Supporting Actress:** Angela Bassett (*Black Panther*), Blythe Danner (*What They Had*), Judi Dench (*All Is True*), Nicole Kidman (*Boy Erased*), and Michelle Yeoh (*Crazy Rich Asians*)
- **Best Supporting Actor:** Robert Duvall (*Widows*), Sam Elliott (*A Star Is Born*), Robert Forster (*What They Had*), Richard E. Grant (*Can You Ever Forgive Me?*) and Ian McKellen (*All Is True*)
- **Best Director:** Kenneth Branagh (*All Is True*), Alfonso Cuarón (*Roma*), Peter Farrelly (*Green Book*), Mimi Leder (*On the Basis of Sex*) and Spike Lee (*BlacKkKlansman*)
- **Best Screenwriter:** Peter Farrelly, Brian Hayes Currie, Nick Vallelonga (*Green Book*), Deborah Davis, Tony McNamara (*The Favourite*), Peter Hedges (*Ben Is Back*), Nicole Holofcener, Jeff Whitty (*Can You Ever Forgive Me?*) and Paul Schrader (*First Reformed*)
- Best Ensemble: Black Panther, Bohemian Rhapsody, Crazy Rich Asians, The Front Runner and Widows
- Best Grownup Love Story: All Is True, On the Basis of Sex, Private Life, The Old Man & the Gun and What They Had
- Best Intergenerational Film: A Quiet Place, Beautiful Boy, Ben Is Back, Crazy Rich Asians, and Mary Poppins Returns

- Best Time Capsule: BlacKkKlansman, Bohemian Rhapsody, First Man, If Beale Street Could Talk, and Roma
- Best documentary: Amazing Grace, Bathtubs Over Broadway, RBG, The Rest I Make Up and Won't You Be My Neighbor?
- **Best Foreign Film:** *Cold War* (Poland, France, U.K.), *Never Look Away* (Germany), *Roma* (Mexico), *Shoplifters* (Japan) and *The Guilty* (Denmark)

Consumer Cellular is proud to be the presenting sponsor for the Movies for Grownups Awards. Event proceeds benefit AARP Foundation, which works to end senior poverty by building economic opportunity and social connections for vulnerable older adults in Los Angeles and across the country.

With weekly news and reviews, nationwide screenings, and an annual awards event, AARP's Movies for Grownups multimedia franchise continues to champion movies for grownups, by grownups. For more information about AARP's Movies for Grownups Awards, go online to www.aarp.org/moviesforgrownups.

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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 around the country transform their lives through programs, services and vigorous legal advocacy. The Foundation works to increase economic opportunity and social connections to prevent and reduce senior poverty.

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