

# Canadian Media Production Association and Directors Guild of Canada reach agreement

TORONTO, November 9, 2015—The Canadian Media Production Association (CMPA) has reached agreement in principle with the Directors Guild of Canada (DGC) on a new 2016–2018 DGC–CMPA Standard Agreement. Details of the deal will be released to the public once the agreement is ratified.

“The CMPA is very happy we were able to reach an agreement that recognizes the needs of Canadian producers yet fairly compensates DGC members across the country,” says Reynolds Mastin, CEO and President, CMPA.

“We are pleased that both sides were able to come to an accord prior to the expiration of the current contract,” says Bill Skolnik, DGC Ontario CEO & Executive Director. “With this new agreement the CMPA recognizes the vital contribution our members make to the Canadian screen industry.”

Brian Baker, National Executive Director adds, “This agreement signifies our commitment to advancing Canadian filmmakers’ economic, creative and workplace rights and a commitment by the CMPA to provide our members with well-deserved security.”

### **ABOUT THE CMPA**

The Canadian Media Production Association (CMPA) is Canada’s leading trade association for independent producers, representing more than 350 companies engaged in the production and distribution of English-language television programs, feature films and digital media. The CMPA works on behalf of members to promote and stimulate the Canadian production industry. Our goal is to ensure the continued success of Canada’s independent production sector and a future for Canadian content.

### **ABOUT THE DGC**

The Directors Guild of Canada (DGC) is a national labour organization that represents over 3,000 key creative and logistical personnel in the screen-based industry covering all areas of direction, design, production and editing. The DGC negotiates and administers collective agreements and lobbies extensively on issues of concern for members including Canadian content conditions, CRTC regulations and ensuring that funding is maintained for Canadian screen-based programming.

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