



## REEL Industry Digest

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### WELCOME CONFERENCE SPEAKERS!

We're excited to have Producer and Media Consultant **MARK WYNNS** join us as a speaker for the 2009 Georgia BIG PICTURE Conference in Atlanta April 17-19, 2009. Mark is a former Executive Director of the Atlanta Film Festival, which is produced annually by IMAGE Film & Video. He is a founding member of the Committee on Entertainment Capital, Investment and Legislation (CECIL)- an industry group focused on spurring private investment in Georgia based media companies. He was an Associate Producer and marketing consultant on John Sayles' award-winning 2008 feature **Honeydripper**, starring Danny Glover and Charles Dutton.



**MELISSA GOODMAN** is the Executive Director of the Georgia Branch of the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) and the Atlanta Local of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA). Prior to working with SAG and AFTRA, Melissa worked at a talent agency in Atlanta. SAG and AFTRA negotiate and monitor the wages and working conditions of actors and performers in film, television, commercials, radio spots, industrial/educational programs, sound recordings and interactive programs. We're pleased to have Melissa as one of our 2009 GABPC speakers. She will be a panelist for **Film Entrepreneurism: A Producers Panel**.

### Plan to Attend the 2009 GABPC at the Atlanta Film Festival!

Don't miss the the 2009 Georgia BIG PICTURE Conference, in Atlanta April 17-19. Space is limited and seats are starting to go quickly.



Register today, and take advantage of our partnership this year to make the 2009 Atlanta Film Festival available to conference attendees at a special rate. Simply upgrade to the PREMIER PASS and get access to the film screenings, parties and networking opportunities. For complete festival information, visit [www.AtlantaFilmFestival.com](http://www.AtlantaFilmFestival.com).

For more details or to register, visit [www.gabpc.com](http://www.gabpc.com).

### Call for GABPC Big Picture Award Nominations

**Deadline: March 31**

Nominations are still being accepted for the 2009 GABPC Big Picture Awards, where we recognize the contributions of Georgia educators in film, television and theatre.

We accept nominations to award one high school instructor, one college professor and one or more industry professionals. Previous award winners include Bob Harter and Della Cole of Sketchworks Theatre, Nate Kohn of the University of Georgia-Athens, and Tyler Perry Studios.

This year's awards will be distributed at the Keynote session of the 2009 Georgia BIG PICTURE Conference (GABPC) Sunday April 19 at 1:30pm.

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## 2009 WIFTA \$1,500 STUDENT TUITION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Each year Women in Film and Television Atlanta is dedicated to providing scholarship opportunities to deserving female student members based on their academic standing, artistic talents and commitment to a film-based curriculum. The winning recipient will be awarded at \$1,500 scholarship at our 35th Anniversary Gala in October 2009. **Application deadline is April 30, 2009.**

**For Women in Film Members Only.** Students who join WIFTA between now and April 30, 2009 will receive \$10.00 off the regular WIFTA student membership rate only \$35.

Scholarship and Membership applications available online at [www.wifta.org](http://www.wifta.org).

To nominate a favorite instructor or an industry professional, visit [www.gabpc.com](http://www.gabpc.com) to download the nomination form. If you have any questions, contact us at [gabpc@gabpc.com](mailto:gabpc@gabpc.com).

## Industry Events and Updates



Campus Movie Fest celebrates 8 years of sponsored student speed filmmaking with a series of events during the Southern Regional Grand Finale. See the best of the best at the CampusMovieFest Screenings of all the region's top movies, and the Campus MusicFest showcase of top area student bands -- both on Saturday, March 28, at Center Stage. Then enjoy the black-tie optional red carpet event on Sunday, March 29, at Atlanta Symphony Hall. Doors open at 7:00pm and the show begins at 8pm. For details and tickets, visit [www.campusmoviefest.com/SRGF/](http://www.campusmoviefest.com/SRGF/).



Six Women Film Directors Show off their Shorts at THE WOMAN'S ANGLE, in association with Film Finish. Friday March 20 and Sunday March 22 at The Plaza Theatre in Atlanta. For tickets, visit [www.womansangle.com](http://www.womansangle.com).

Iyalode Productions presents the **5th annual Women of Color Arts & Film (WOCAF) Festival**, which takes place in Atlanta March 19-22, 2009. For tickets and schedule, visit [www.iyalodeproductions.com](http://www.iyalodeproductions.com).

**A.C.T. 4 LIFE** Presents **Hollywood South, "Music & a Movie Filmmakers' Showcase."** Join us for a celebration of independent film and music in Atlanta, the Hollywood South. The showcase is a monthly exhibition of independent film shorts, videos, trailers, pilots and webisodes from local filmmakers. Thursday March 19, 2009. 7:00-10:00pm. Location: ENGINE 11, 30 North Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30308. Admission: \$5.00. Send film submissions to: P.O. Box 7252, Atlanta, GA 30357. For more information, call 404-589-9604 or email [a.c.t.4lifers@gmail.com](mailto:a.c.t.4lifers@gmail.com).

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Sincerely,



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