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SIXTH ANNUAL AFI AWARDS TO BE HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2006

AFI TO ANNOUNCE FILM AND TELEVISION HONOREES ON DECEMBER 11

LOS ANGELES, August 23, 2005—AFI AWARDS 2005, the sixth chapter in the American Film Institute's 21st century almanac, which records the year's most outstanding achievements in film and television, will be announced on Sunday, December 11, 2005. Ten AFI Movies of the Year, 10 AFI Television Programs of the Year and up to 10 AFI Moments of Significance will be determined by AFI's unique selection process.

AFI will honor the creative ensembles for each of the honorees at a luncheon on Friday, January 13, 2006, at the Four Seasons Hotel.

AFI AWARDS honorees are selected by jury—one for motion pictures and one for television. The 13 members of each jury will discuss, debate and determine the 10 most outstanding motion pictures and television programs of the year, which will be announced in alphabetical order. Each jury will also select up to five respective Moments of Significance.

AFI AWARDS is the only form of national recognition that honors the film and television creative ensemble as a whole—those people in front of and behind the camera—acknowledging the collaborative nature of film and television.

Deadline for all television and motion picture submissions is November 4. Details about the selection process, submission forms and lists of past AFI AWARDS honorees are available on AFI's Web site at www.AFI.com.

About the American Film Institute

AFI is a national institute providing leadership in screen education and the recognition and celebration of excellence in the art of film, television and digital media. AFI trains the next generation of filmmakers at its world-renowned Conservatory, maintains America's film heritage through the *AFI Catalog of Feature Films* and explores new digital technologies in entertainment and education through the AFI Digital Content Lab and K-12 Screen Education Center. As the largest nonprofit exhibitor in the US, AFI ON SCREEN encompasses the annual AFI FEST presented by Audi: AFI Los Angeles International Film Festival—as well as year-round programming at ArcLight Hollywood and the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center in Silver Spring, Maryland, including SILVERDOCS: AFI/Discovery Channel Documentary Festival. AFI AWARDS, the annual

almanac for the 21st century, honors the most outstanding motion pictures and television programs of the year, while **AFI's 100 Years . . .** series has ignited extraordinary public interest in classic American movies. And, during the past 33 years, AFI's Life Achievement Award has become the highest honor for a career in film. Additional information about AFI is available at AFI.com.

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