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Daniel Handler to Emcee the Audie Awards Gala on May 30, 2013 at the New-York Historical Society in New York City

Princeton Junction, NJ – The Audio Publishers Association (APA) has announced finalists for its 2013 Audie Awards® competition, the only awards program in the United States devoted entirely to honoring spoken word entertainment. Winners will be announced at the Audies Gala on May 30, 2013, at the New-York Historical Society in New York. Writer Daniel Handler, longtime friend and supporter of the audiobook industry will emcee the event.

"It is always an exciting revelation to see which titles have been nominated, especially as the number of titles produced in audio each year is growing so rapidly," said Michele Cobb, President of the APA. "Yet again, this year's finalists do not disappoint. With an outstanding host, an amazing list of potential winners and a gorgeous venue, we look forward to once again celebrating excellence in audio publishing."

Host Daniel Handler is no stranger to audiobooks. At last year's 12th Annual Audiobook and Author Tea held during Book Expo America, Handler kept the audience laughing for the bulk of the event as he described his ill-fated decision to replace Tim Curry as the narrator of his popular Lemony Snicket series. "It was a terrible idea," he said, describing in vivid detail his "stuttering, stammering, lip-smacking" attempt at audio narration. Handler is more optimistic of his emceeing gig at this year's Audie Award® gala "At long last I get to combine my two great loves: audiobooks and hogging the spotlight." In addition to his mega bestselling *A Series of Unfortunate Events* series written under the pseudonym Lemony Snicket, Handler is the author of literary novels *The Basic Eight, Watch Your Mouth*, and *Adverbs*.

The Audies, sponsored by the Audio Publishers Association (APA), is the premier awards program in the United States recognizing distinction in audiobooks and spoken word entertainment. Through The Audies award competition, publishers are able to enter titles in various categories for recognition of achievement. Finalists are selected and, from that group of finalists, one winner is awarded. Winners will be recognized at the exciting Audies gala in New York City on May 30, 2013.



Finalists in this year's competition include the following titles:

AUDIO DRAMA

Die, Snow White! Die, Damn You!, by Yuri Rasovsky, Narrated by a Full Cast, Blackstone Audio
The Star Angel, by Jerry Robbins, Narrated by Jerry Robbins and The Colonial Radio Players, Brilliance Audio
Swardspaint, by Ellen Kushper, Narrated by Ellen Kushper, Dien Graham, Katherine Kellgren, Behert Fess

Swordspoint, by Ellen Kushner, Narrated by Ellen Kushner, Dion Graham, Katherine Kellgren, Robert Fass, Nick Sullivan, Simon Jones, Sam Guncler and Anne Bobby, SueMedia Productions for Neil Gaiman Presents (ACX)

Titanium Rain, Episode One, by Josh Finney, Narrated by a Full Cast, The AudioComics Company

Trouble on His Wings, by L. Ron Hubbard, Narrated by Jennifer Aspen, Bob Caso, RF Daley, Jim Meskimen and Matt Scott, Galaxy Press

BIOGRAPHY/MEMOIR

Cronkite, by Douglas Brinkley, Narrated by George Guidall, HarperAudio

Lady Almina and the Real Downton Abbey, by The Countess of Carnarvon, Narrated by Wanda McCaddon, Tantor Media

My Cross to Bear, by Gregg Allman with Alan Light, Narrated by Will Patton, HarperAudio

The Seamstress, by Sara Tuvel Bernstein with Louise Loots Thornton and Marlene Bernstein Samuels, Narrated by Wanda McCaddon, Tantor Media

Two Rings, by Millie Werber and Eve Keller, Narrated by Yelena Shmulenson; introduction read by Eve Keller, HighBridge Audio

BUSINESS/EDUCATIONAL

A Capitalism for the People, by Luigi Zingales, Narrated by Jonathan Davis, Audible, Inc.

Great on the Job, by Jodi Glickman, Narrated by Tanya Eby, Brilliance Audio

Inside Apple, by Adam Lashinsky, Narrated by Adam Lashinsky, Hachette Audio

The Personal MBA, by Josh Kaufman, Narrated by Josh Kaufman, Audible, Inc.

Spy the Lie, by Philip Houston, Michael Floyd, Susan Carnicero and Don Tennant, Narrated by Fred Berman, Macmillan Audio



CHILDREN'S TITLES FOR AGES 8-12

The Cheshire Cheese Cat, by Carmen Agra Deedy and Randall Wright, Narrated by Katherine Kellgren and Robin Sachs, Listening Library/Books on Tape

The Freedom Maze, by Delia Sherman, Narrated by Robin Miles, Listening Library/Books on Tape Same Sun Here, by Silas House and Neela Vaswani, Narrated by Silas House and Neela Vaswani, Brilliance Audio

Wonder, by R.J. Palacio, Narrated by Diana Steele, Nick Podehl and Kate Rudd, Brilliance Audio Splendors and Glooms, by Laura Amy Schlitz, Narrated by Davina Porter, Recorded Books, LLC

CHILDREN'S TITLES FOR AGES UP TO 8

The Great Cake Mystery: Precious Ramotswe's Very First Case, by Alexander McCall Smith, Narrated by Adjoa Andoh, Listening Library/Books on Tape

Knuffle Bunny Free: An Unexpected Diversion, by Mo Willems, Narrated by Mo, Cher, and Trixie Willems, Weston Woods Studios

A Sick Day for Amos McGee, by Philip C. Stead, Narrated by David de Vries, Weston Woods Studios Sylvester and the Magic Pebble, by William Steig, Narrated by James Earl Jones, Simon and Schuster Audio We Are America, by Walter Dean Myers, Narrated by Dion Graham and a full cast, Live Oak Media

CLASSIC

A Death in the Family, by James Agee, Narrated by Lloyd James, Blackstone Audio

Dombey and Son, by Charles Dickens, Narrated by Charlton Griffin, Audio Connoisseur

Dracula, by Bram Stoker, Narrated by Alan Cumming, Tim Curry, Simon Vance, Katherine Kellgren, Susan Duerden, John Lee and Graeme Malcolm, Audible, Inc.

The Mark of Zorro, by Johnston McCulley, Narrated by Armando Durán, Blackstone Audio

The Prime Minister, by Anthony Trollope, Narrated by Simon Vance, Blackstone Audio



FANTASY

All Men of Genius, by Lev AC Rosen, Narrated by Emily Gray, Recorded Books, LLC

Anita, by Keith Roberts, Narrated by Nicola Barber, Audible, Inc.

Heroes Die, by Matthew Stover, Narrated by Stefan Rudnicki, Audible, Inc.

Princess of Wands, by John Ringo, Narrated by Suzy Jackson, Audible, Inc.

The Restorer, by Amanda Stevens, Narrated by Khristine Hvam, Audible, Inc.

Theft of Swords, by Michael J. Sullivan, Narrated by Tim Gerard Reynolds, Recorded Books, LLC

FICTION

The Bartender's Tale, by Ivan Doig, Narrated by David Aaron Baker, Recorded Books, LLC

Beautiful Ruins, by Jess Walter, Narrated by Edoardo Ballerini, HarperAudio

The Handmaid's Tale, by Margaret Atwood, Narrated by Claire Danes, Audible, Inc.

A Rage in Harlem, by Chester Himes, Narrated by Samuel L. Jackson, Audible, Inc.

Speaks the Nightbird, by Robert McCammon, Narrated by Edoardo Ballerini, Audible, Inc.

HISTORY

Da Vinci's Ghost, by Toby Lester, Narrated by Stephen Hoye, Tantor Media

L.A. Noir, by John Buntin, Narrated by Kirby Heyborne, Tantor Media

Pacific Crucible: War at Sea in the Pacific, 1941-1942, by Ian W. Toll, Narrated by Grover Gardner, Audible Inc.

Season of the Witch, by David Talbot, Narrated by Arthur Morey, Brilliance Audio

Twelve Desperate Miles, by Tim Brady, Narrated by Joe Barrett, AudioGO

The Wrecking Crew, by Kent Hartman, Narrated by Dan John Miller, Tantor Media



HUMOR

America Again, by Stephen Colbert, Narrated by Stephen Colbert, Hachette Audio

The Cursing Mommy's Book of Days, by Ian Frazier, Narrated by Cynthia Nixon, Macmillan Audio

I Suck at Girls, by Justin Halpern, Narrated by Sean Schemmel, HarperAudio

Let's Pretend This Never Happened, by Jenny Lawson, Narrated by Jenny Lawson, Penguin Audio

Me the People, by Kevin Bleyer, Narrated by Kevin Bleyer, Random House Audio/Books on Tape

INSPIRATIONAL/FAITH-BASED FICTION

Coming Home, by Karen Kingsbury, Narrated by Stefan Rudnicki and Gabrielle de Cuir, Zondervan The Good Dream, by Donna VanLiere, Narrated by Donna VanLiere, Macmillan Audio His Love Endures Forever, by Beth Wiseman, Narrated by Kirsten Potter, eChristian Inc. The Tao of Pooh, by Benjamin Hoff, Narrated by Simon Vance, Tantor Media Touching the Sky, by Tracie Peterson, Narrated by Renee Raudman, Brilliance Audio

INSPIRATIONAL/FAITH-BASED NON-FICTION

Anna and the King of Siam, by Margaret Langdon, Narrated by Anne Flosnik, eChristian Inc.

Fearless, by Eric Blehm, Narrated by Paul Michael, eChristian Inc.

KJV Audio Bible, Pure Voice, by Zondervan, Narrated by a Full Cast including Scott Brick, Stefan Rudnicki, Edward Herrmann, LeVar Burton, John Rubinstein, Juliet Mills and Samantha Eggar, Zondervan

Miracle For Jen, by Linda Barrick, Narrated by Kirsten Potter, eChristian Inc.

Real Marriage, by Mark and Grace Driscoll, Narrated by William Dufris and Tavia Gilbert, eChristian Inc.

LITERARY FICTION

Bring Up the Bodies, by Hilary Mantel, Narrated by Simon Vance, Macmillan Audio

The End of the Affair, by Graham Greene, Narrated by Colin Firth, Audible, Inc.

Heft, by Liz Moore, Narrated by Kirby Heyborne and Keith Szarabajka, Blackstone Audio

The Remains of the Day, by Kazuo Ishiguro, Narrated by Simon Prebble, Tantor Media

Remember Ben Clayton, by Stephen Harrigan, Narrated by George Guidall, Recorded Books, LLC



MULTI-VOICED PERFORMANCE

Dracula, by Bram Stoker, Narrated by Alan Cumming, Tim Curry, Simon Vance, Katherine Kellgren, Susan Duerden, John Lee and Graeme Malcolm, Audible, Inc.

My Awesome/Awful Popularity Plan, by Seth Rudetsky, Narrated by Seth Rudetsky, Andrea Burns, Paul Castree, Jesse Tyler Ferguson, Josh Gad, Ana Gasteyer and Megan Hilty, Audible, Inc.

October Mourning, by Lesléa Newman, Narrated by Emily Beresford, Luke Daniels, Lesléa Newman, Tom Parks, Nick Podehl, Kate Rudd and Christina Traister, Brilliance Audio

The Privilege of the Sword, by Ellen Kushner and, Narrated by Ellen Kushner, Barbara Rosenblat, Joe Hurley, Katherine Kellgren, Nick Sullivan, Neil Gaiman, Felicia Day and Jason Collins, SueMedia Productions for Neil Gaiman Presents (ACX)

Suddenly, a Knock on the Door, by Etgar Keret, Narrated by Ira Glass, Willem Dafoe, Ben Marcus, Gary Shteyngart, Michael Chabon, Neal Stephenson and Stanley Tucci, Macmillan Audio

That Is All, by John Hodgman, Narrated by John Hodgman, Dick Cavett, Patton Oswalt, Jon Hamm, Paul Rudd, Sarah Vowell and Brooke Shields, Penguin Audio

MYSTERY

And When She Was Good, by Laura Lippman, Narrated by Linda Emond, HarperAudio The Beautiful Mystery, by Louise Penny, Narrated by Ralph Cosham, Macmillan Audio The Good Thief's Guide to Vegas, by Chris Ewan, Narrated by Simon Vance, AudioGO Hush Money, by Chuck Greaves, Narrated by Dan Butler, AudioGO The Nightmare, by Lars Kepler, Narrated by Mark Bramhall, Macmillan Audio

NARRATION BY THE AUTHOR or AUTHORS

Janis Ian, Society's Child: My Autobiography, Audible, Inc.

Ayad Akhtar, American Dervish, Hachette Audio

Baratunde Thurston, *How to Be Black*, HarperAudio

Molly Ringwald, When It Happens to You: A Novel in Stories, HarperAudio

Andy Cohen, Most Talkative, Macmillan Audio

Marcus Samuelsson, Yes, Chef, Random House Audio/Books on Tape



NON-FICTION

Breasts, by Florence Williams, Narrated by Kate Reading, Tantor Media Cemetery John, by Robert Zorn, Narrated by Sean Runnette, Tantor Media The Crisis of Zionism, by Peter Beinart, Narrated by Lloyd James, Tantor Media Love is the Cure, by Elton John, Narrated by Elton John, Hachette Audio Sex and God at Yale, by Nathan Harden, Narrated by Scott Aiello, Audible, Inc.

ORIGINAL WORK

Coming Home to Us: A Trilogy of Love, Loss, and Healing, by Helen Engelhardt and Marjorie Van Halteren, Narrated by Helen Engelhardt, Marjorie Van Halteren, Suse Lowenstein, Mary Lou Ciulla, Mary Kay Stratis, Eleanor Bright, Pat Simpson and Wendy Giebler, Midsummer Sound Company

Die, Snow White! Die, Damn You!, by Yuri Rasovsky, Narrated by a Full Cast, Blackstone Audio

Gun Church, by Reed Farrel Coleman, Narrated by Joe Barrett and John Keating, Audible, Inc.

The Junkie Quatrain, by Peter Clines, Narrated by Christian Rummel and Therese Plummer, Audible, Inc.

Titanium Rain, Episode One, by Josh Finney, Narrated by a Full Cast, The AudioComics Company

PACKAGE DESIGN

Coming Home to Us: A Trilogy of Love, Loss, and Healing, by Helen Engelhardt and Marjorie Van Halteren, Narrated by Helen Engelhardt, Marjorie Van Halteren, Suse Lowenstein, Mary Lou Ciulla, Mary Kay Stratis, Eleanor Bright, Pat Simpson and Wendy Giebler, Midsummer Sound Company

The Great Gazzoon, by Rick Scott and Valley Hennell, Narrated by Rick Scott and a Full Cast, Grand Poobah Music

NPR Road Trips: Fairs and Festivals, by NPR, Narrated by Noah Adams, HighBridge Company On the Night You Were Born, by Nancy Tillman, Narrated by Orlagh Cassidy, Macmillan Audio Savages, by Don Wilson, Narrated by Michael Kramer, Tantor Media



PARANORMAL

The Bride Wore Black Leather, by Simon R. Green, Narrated by Marc Vietor, Audible, Inc.

The Greyfriar - Vampire Empire Book 1, by Clay and Susan Griffith, Narrated by James Marsters, Buzzy Multimedia Publishing

Gunmetal Magic, by Ilona Andrews, Narrated by Renée Raudman, Tantor Media

My Life as a White Trash Zombie, by Diana Rowland, Narrated by Allison McLemore, Audible, Inc.

Spellbound, by Larry Correia, Narrated by Bronson Pinchot, Audible, Inc.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

It Worked for Me: In Life and Leadership, by Colin Powell, Narrated by Colin Powell, HarperAudio

Just One Thing, by Rick Hanson, Ph.D., Narrated by Fred Stella, Brilliance Audio

Naked at Our Age, by Joan Price, Narrated by Suzanne Toren, Audible, Inc.

The Tao of Pooh, by Benjamin Hoff, Narrated by Simon Vance, Tantor Media

The Whole-Brain Child, by Daniel J. Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson, Narrated by Daniel J. Siegel and Tina Payne Bryson, Brilliance Audio

ROMANCE

Don't Cry for Me, by Sharon Sala, Narrated by Kathe Mazur, Audible, Inc.

The Madness of Lord Ian Mackenzie, by Jennifer Ashley, Narrated by Angela Dawe, Tantor Media

Never Seduce a Scot, by Maya Banks, Narrated by Kirsten Potter, Tantor Media

Scandalous Desires, by Elizabeth Hoyt, Narrated by Ashford MacNab, Hachette Audio

The Witness, by Nora Roberts, Narrated by Julia Whelan, Brilliance Audio



SCIENCE FICTION

14, by Peter Clines, Narrated by Ray Porter, Audible, Inc.

Agatha H. and the Clockwork Princess, by Phil Foglio and Kaja Foglio, Narrated by Angela Dawe, Brilliance Audio

The Age of Miracles, by Karen Thompson Walker, Narrated by Emily Janice Card, Random House Audio/Books on Tape

Invincible, by Jack Campbell, Narrated by Christian Rummel, Audible, Inc.

Pure, by Julianna Baggott, Narrated by Khristine Hvam, Joshua Swanson, Kevin T. Collins and Casey Holloway, Hachette Audio

SHORT STORIES/COLLECTIONS

Astray, by Emma Donoghue, Narrated by Khristine Hvam, James Langton, Robert Petkoff, Suzanne Toren and Dion Graham, Hachette Audio

I Am an Executioner, by Rajesh Parameswaran, Narrated by Neil Shah and Lina Patel, Dreamscape Media, LLC *Slouching Towards Bethlehem*, by Joan Didion, Narrated by Diane Keaton, Audible, Inc.

Welcome to Bordertown, by Holly Black and Ellen Kushner, Narrated by Cassandra Campbell, MacLeod Andrews, Holly Black and Ellen Kushner, Brilliance Audio

When It Happens to You: A Novel in Stories, by Molly Ringwald, Narrated by Molly Ringwald, HarperAudio

SOLO NARRATION-FEMALE

Nicola Barber, Narrator of Call the Midwife, by Jennifer Worth, HighBridge Company

Cassandra Campbell, Narrator of Juliet in August, by Dianne Warren, Tantor Media

Katherine Kellgren, Narrator of *The Boy in the Suitcase*, by Lene Kaaberbøl and Agnete Friis, AudioGO

Katherine Kellgren, Narrator of *The Unseen Guest: The Incorrigible Children of Ashton Place, Book 3*, by Maryrose Wood, HarperAudio

Anne Hathaway, Narrator of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*, by L. Frank Baum, Audible, Inc.



SOLO NARRATION-MALE

Michael Maloney, Narrator of *The Absolutist*, by John Boyne, Tantor Media Edoardo Ballerini, Narrator of *Beautiful Ruins*, by Jess Walter, HarperAudio Dustin Hoffman, Narrator of *Being There*, by Jerzy Kosinski, Audible, Inc. Colin Firth, Narrator of *The End of the Affair*, by Graham Greene, Audible, Inc. Simon Vance, Narrator of *The Tao of Pooh*, by Benjamin Hoff, Tantor Media

TEENS

The Diviners, by Libba Bray, Narrated by January LaVoy, Listening Library/Books on Tape Dodger, by Terry Pratchett, Narrated by Stephen Briggs, HarperAudio Enchanted, by Alethea Kontis, Narrated by Katherine Kellgren, Brilliance Audio The Fault in Our Stars, by John Green, Narrated by Kate Rudd, Brilliance Audio Inheritance, by Christopher Paolini, Narrated by Gerard Doyle, Listening Library/Books on Tape

THRILLER/SUSPENSE

The Boy in the Suitcase, by Lene Kaaberbøl and Agnete Friis, Narrated by Katherine Kellgren, AudioGO The Chalk Girl, by Carol O'Connell, Narrated by Barbara Rosenblat, Recorded Books, LLC Odd Apocalypse, by Dean Koontz, Narrated by David Aaron Baker, Brilliance Audio Red, White, and Blood, by Christopher Farnsworth, Narrated by Bronson Pinchot, Blackstone Audio Rise Again, by Ben Tripp, Narrated by Kirsten Potter, Tantor Media



Finalists for two special awards, Distinguished Achievement in Production and Audiobook of the Year will be announced in April.

Additional information can be found online at www.theaudies.com.

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To purchase tickets, visit www.audiopub.org.

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