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Australian Academy releases ticket sales for 4th AACTA Awards, announces Angus Sampson as host of Awards Luncheon

The Australian Academy of Cinema and Television Arts (AACTA) has today announced its full ScreenWeek program, which will see the public and industry alike meet in Sydney in January for Australia's biggest annual celebration of screen achievement.

AFI | AACTA ScreenWeek (26-29 January 2015) comprises AACTA's two annual major Awards events and two days of 10 new **'Meet the Makers'** events for industry professionals, which will see leaders from each screen craft provide insights into film and television productions nominated for the Awards.

AACTA today announced that tickets are available for purchase for both 4th AACTA Awards events - the **4th AACTA Awards Luncheon presented by Deluxe on Tuesday 27 January**, and the **4th AACTA Awards Ceremony & Official After Party on Thursday 29 January**, which will be telecast on Network Ten that evening, and encored on Foxtel's ARENA channel on Saturday 31 January. Both AACTA Awards events will be hosted from The Star Event Centre in Sydney.

Meet the Makers events will be held on **Monday 26 January and Wednesday 28 January**, and attendance will be exclusively for members of AACTA and members of participating screen craft guilds and industry organisations. Tickets will be released on 5 December, once nominees across all categories for the 4th AACTA Awards are announced on 3 December 2014. Industry professionals still have time to apply for AACTA membership to attend the Meet the Makers events.

AACTA also announced **Angus Sampson** as host of the AACTA Awards Luncheon, which has quickly become an industry-favourite on the events calendar.

Angus Sampson's latest feature film, **THE MULE**, is scheduled for release this Friday 21 November 2014, after receiving critical acclaim around the international festival circuit. The actor/director/writer/producer will soon be seen in the much anticipated upcoming films **NOW ADD HONEY**, **INSIDIOUS: CHAPTER THREE**, and **MAD MAX: FURY ROAD**, all due for release in 2015.

Known for his roles in **PAPER GIANTS: MAGAZINE WARS** and most recently **PARTY TRICKS**, the talented and highly respected Sampson is no stranger to the AACTA Awards. Sampson was nominated for Best Supporting Actor for **100 BLOODY ACRES** at last year's 3rd AACTA Awards.

Angus Sampson said:

"I'm chuffed to have been asked to host the 4th AACTA Awards Luncheon presented by Deluxe. Having just made a film about a man who literally doesn't give a shit, I'm thankful others do, and that's what the AACTA Awards are all about. I look forward to heading to Sydney to celebrate our nation's top screen talent."

AFI | AACTA CEO, Damian Trehwella, said:

“The AACTA Awards bring the industry’s best performers and practitioners and screen fans together to celebrate the past year of great film, and provide an opportunity for the industry to discuss collaborations for the year ahead. We’re proud to extend our program for 2015 with the launch of AFI | AACTA ScreenWeek, marking the biggest event schedule ever held by the Australian Academy. We look forward to our colleagues extending their stay in Sydney for a week of screen celebrations, to welcoming screen fans to see their favourite stars on the red carpet, and to celebrating with the nation as audiences around Australia tune in to Network Ten to see our top talent honoured at the 4th AACTA Awards.

“In the meantime, we wait with anticipation for Wednesday 3 December when the nominees for the 4th AACTA Awards across the Feature Film categories, as well as Television and remaining Documentary nominees, are announced in Sydney.”

Managing Director of Deluxe, Alaric McAusland said, “We are delighted to continue our collaboration with the Australian Academy and their annual Awards in 2015. Australia’s screen professionals and our on-screen and behind the scenes storytelling talent make a significant cultural and economic contribution to Australia and a massive creative contribution to the global entertainment industry. It is imperative that we continue to connect audiences to their amazing work and celebrate their achievements so this continues. The AACTA Awards is an incredible showcase for the Australian film and television industry and makes this critically important connection between Australian audiences and Australian stories.”

The AACTAs are proudly supported by the NSW Government through its tourism and major events agency, Destination NSW.

4TH AACTA AWARDS TICKETS

Tickets are now on sale for the 4th AACTA Awards at: <http://www.aacta.org/events>

MEET THE MAKERS EVENTS PROGRAM

The program for the Meet the Makers events can be found [here](#) and tickets to these events will be released to members of AACTA and participating screen guild members on Friday 5 December 2014.

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