AFI AWARDS 2019 CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS AND KEY DATES ANNOUNCED BY THE AMERICAN FILM INSTITUTE Honorees Announced December 4

Outstanding Achievements in Film and TV Celebrated at Invitation-Only Luncheon on January 3, 2020

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE – September 10, 2019, Los Angeles, CA – Recognizing the year's most outstanding achievements in the art of the moving image, AFI AWARDS is the American Film Institute's annual stamp of excellence – celebrating works of significance in both film and television. Submissions for AFI AWARDS 2019 are now being accepted at <u>www.afi.com/afi-awards-submissions/</u> through Thursday, October 17. Honorees will be announced on Wednesday, December 4, 2019. An invitation-only luncheon celebrating the honorees will follow on Friday, January 3, 2020. AFI is proud to have Audi return as an Official Sponsor of AFI AWARDS.

Favored by artists and entertainment executives for its intimacy and collaborative recognition, the annual gathering is the only form of national appreciation that honors the creative ensemble as a whole — those in front of and behind the camera — and is popular with honorees because there are no winners or losers.

Marking its 20th year as part of the American Film Institute's ongoing record of excellence within the creative community, AFI AWARDS honorees are selected by a jury comprised of experts, including film and television artists, critics, scholars and AFI Trustees.

Film/Television Submission Deadline: October 17, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. PST Honorees Announced: December 4, 2019 AFI AWARDS 2019 Luncheon: January 3, 2020

About the American Film Institute

Established in 1967, the American Film Institute is the nation's nonprofit organization dedicated to educating and inspiring artists and audiences through initiatives that champion the past, present and future of the moving image. AFI's pioneering programs include filmmaker training at the AFI Conservatory; year-round exhibition at the AFI Silver Theatre and Cultural Center and at AFI Festivals across the nation; workshops aimed at increasing diversity in the storytelling community; honoring today's masters through the AFI Life Achievement Award and AFI AWARDS; and scholarly efforts such as the AFI Catalog of Feature Films that uphold film history for future generations. Read about all of these programs and more at AFI.com, and follow us on social media at Facebook.com/AmericanFilmInstitute, youtube.com/AFI, twitter.com/AmericanFilm and Instagram.com/AmericanFilmInstitute.

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