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Scholarship Awards Banquet

Department of Cinema and Television Arts



Speakers



Carlos Alazraqui

Special Guest Host

You may know Carlos Alazraqui as Officer James Garcia on Comedy Central's *Reno 911*. You also may have seen him on his many appearances on VH1 and E! Television reality series, or recognize the voice of Mr. Crocker on Nickelodeon's *Fairly Odd Parents*, Houston from *Space Chimps*, or from many other animated series. He also has lent his voice to one of the most recognizable campaigns in commercial history – “Yo Quiero Taco Bell.” Carlos starred in his own half-hour stand-up comedy special on Comedy Central, and keeps up a busy schedule of live stand-up performances.



Wm. Robert Buckner

Dean, Mike Curb College of Arts, Media & Communication

Robert Buckner is the Dean of California State Northridge's Mike Curb College of Arts, Media & Communication. Prior to his appointment, he was Dean of the Peck School of the Arts at the University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, Dean of the School of Fine Arts at the University of Minnesota, Duluth, and director of education for the Metropolitan Opera-Metropolitan Opera Guild in New York..



Jon Stahl

Chair, Department of Cinema and Television Arts

Jon Stahl became CTVA Chair in January, 2011. He has taught at CSUN since 1998, and has been head of the CTVA Screenwriting Option since 2005. His scripts have been optioned by such producers as David Foster (*McCabe and Mrs. Miller*), Cari-Esta Albert (*The Truth About Cats and Dogs*) and Meg Ryan's Prufrock Pictures. His feature-length screenplay, *Park Avenue Baseball*, was named “Best of Fest” in the 2008 Broadcast Education Association's Festival of Media Arts, and this year, he placed first in the BEA Faculty Scriptwriting Competition's new mobisode/webisode category.

Program

WELCOME ... Quinn Saunders

OPENING REMARKS ... Robert Buckner, Dean

~ Dinner ~

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUEST HOST ... Jon Stahl, Chair

SCHOLARSHIP PRESENTATIONS ... Carlos Alazraqui



Scholarships

ABRAHAM POLONSKY GRADUATE SCREENWRITING SCHOLARSHIP

Aaron Vaccaro

ABRAHAM POLONSKY UNDERGRADUATE SCREENWRITING SCHOLARSHIP

Joyce Britton

DAVID LEVY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Gina Ruoti • Edward O' Neill

DAVID SOMERVILLE MEMORIAL RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

David Stromberg

JUDGE JULIAN BECK SCHOLARSHIP

James Deuling

MARC YOBS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Olivia Marsico • Ajari Davu-Jianda

MICHAEL C. RASMUSSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Richard Duryea

RICHARD M. NEUSTADT/MATTHEW S. BERENY NEW VISTAS AWARD

Andrew Yep

WOMEN IN FILM SCHOLARSHIP

Michelle Nishimura • Yoselin Montes-Castillo

CARSON SCHREIBER CTVA SCHOLARSHIP

Sydney Bethel

FRITZ COLEMAN SCHOLARSHIP

Olivia Marsico

SCOTT M. WEISS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Deana Becker • Sydney Bethel • John Geronilla

CTVA FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP

Niki Sayyad • Roberto Barrios • Gina Ruoti

DEAN'S AWARD FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT & SERVICES

Aubrey Byrne—Junior Award
Elizabeth Knopper—Senior Award
Edward O'Neill—Graduate Award

ALLIANCE FOR WOMEN IN MEDIA

Olivia Marsico • Ajari Davu-Jianda

Broadcast Education Association Awards

Gina Ruoti

Tree of Knowledge • Second Place - Screenwriting short subject category

Sara Caldwell

The Pied Piper • Second Place - Screenwriting feature film category

Christopher Childs

The King of Bath • Third Place - Screenwriting feature film category

Ryan Valle

Ryan Valle || Media Professional • Second Place - Authorship project category

CSUN Cinematheque Award

Dave Caplan

Alumnus • Writer/Producer



Dave Caplan

*2011 Cinematheque Award
Alumnus*

Writer/Producer Dave Caplan has enjoyed a career that spans more than twenty years and includes some of TV's most popular series. Working primarily in prime time network comedy, Dave expanded his resume to include drama as he served as a Writer/Producer on TNT's new hit, *Rizzoli and Isles* which set records for scripted

cable viewership. Prior to that, Dave was under contract to ABC and Warner Brothers as Writer and Executive Producer of such shows as *George Lopez*, *The Drew Carey Show*, and *Norm*, starring Norm MacDonald. Other credits include *Roseanne*, *Parker Lewis Can't Lose*, and the ABC/Touchstone hit *Dinosaurs*.

Dave currently has projects in various stages of development at TBS, USA Network, and AMC. Over his career, he has written and produced pilots for such studios as Warner Brothers, Fox, Sony, Disney, and Paramount. He has also set up projects at most major networks, including ABC, NBC, CBS, and TNT, and feature film projects at Disney and Universal.

A guest speaker at schools and universities, Dave was also a featured instructor at the Warner Brothers Comedy Workshop for several years (lecturing on scene structure).

Dave has won several awards, including the Humanitas certificate for "The Kidney Stays In The Picture" episode of *George Lopez*.

Dave Caplan is represented by CAA and management agency Odenkirk/Provissiero.