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The Canadian Film and Television Production Association Honors Brightlight Pictures with the CFTPA Entrepreneur of the Year Award

(Vancouver, B.C.) -- The Canadian Film and Television Production Association (CFTPA) today announced that Brightlight Pictures is the recipient of the 2006 CFTPA Entrepreneur of the Year Award. The award was presented to Karyn Edwards, Vice President of Business and Legal Affairs, Brightlight Pictures, today in Ottawa, Ontario during the CFTPA's annual Prime Time conference.

"I am delighted to see the CFTPA Entrepreneur of the Year Award going to Brightlight Pictures," says Guy Mayson, President and CEO, CFTPA, "I am so very impressed by Brightlight Pictures energy and creativity over the years. This recognition is well deserved."

Shawn Williamson, principal and producer, Brightlight Pictures adds, "This award is a testament to the talented staff at Brightlight Pictures and the crews we work with. It really is a great honour and means so much coming from our peers in the industry. Brightlight Pictures continually strives to tell the world that great film and television productions come out of Vancouver, and I think that this award just proves it."

CFTPA board and membership decide upon the annual winners of the CFTPA Entrepreneur of the Year Award. Past winners of the CFTPA Entrepreneur of the Year Award include Collideascope Digital Productions, CREDO Group, Nelvana, Alliance Atlantis Communications, Rhombus Media, Minds Eye Pictures, Barna-Alper Productions, Breakthrough Films and Television and Dufferin Gate.

About Brightlight Pictures

Brightlight Pictures develops, finances and produces independent feature films and Television projects for the domestic and international marketplace. Company principals and producers, Stephen Hegyes and Shawn Williamson, have produced over 60 productions in the last 12 years and over 20 productions since the launch of the company in 2001 including "White Noise" starring Michael Keaton which has grossed more than \$100 Million since opening in January of 2005. Brightlight's recently completed shooting "Dungeon Siege", starring Jason Statham, Ray Liotta, Burt Reynolds, John Rhys-Davies, Kristanna Loken, and Claire Forlani. Brightlight Line Produced "Edison" for Nu Image / Millennium Films and Emmett Furla Films, as well as "88 Minutes" and "Wicker Man" including stars such as Al Pacino, Nicolas Cage, Kevin Spacey, Morgan Freeman, and Justin Timberlake. Brightlight Pictures is currently in production with "White Noise 2: The Light", which is shooting in the Greater Vancouver area in March 2006.

About the CFTPA

The CFTPA is a non-profit, trade association representing almost 400 companies involved in the Canadian production industry. The association promotes the general interests of Canadian producers by lobbying government on policy matters, negotiating labour agreements, and offering mentorship programs and copyright initiatives.

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