



THE 2011 CANADIAN COMEDY AWARDS
WINNERS HAVE BEEN ANNOUNCED!

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(TORONTO, ON – October 17, 2011) The 12th Annual Canadian Comedy Awards & Festival (October 13th to 17th) is now in the books! And this year the event was our biggest yet, with **30 shows over five days** at some of the city's finest theatres and comedy spots: **The Isabel Bader Theatre, The Second City, The Panasonic Theatre, Yuk Yuks and Comedy Bar.**

The Awards were presented in over 25 categories, featuring writers and performers in Canada's film, television, radio, web, stand-up, theatre and sketch arenas.

Some highlights (note: please do not release until 10:30pm EST on Monday, Oct 17): Best Stand-Up – Male went to **Steve Patterson** (Host of CBC's The Debaters). Best Stand-Up – Female: **Debra DiGiovanni**. Best Writing – Television Program or Series went to **Ken Finkleman** for *Good Dog*, while Best Television Performance – Male went to **Jason Priestley** for *Call Me Fitz*. Best Television Performance – Female was taken home by **Brooke Palsson** for *Less Than Kind*.

Best Film went to **Summerhood** and **Samantha Bee** (*The Daily Show*) nabbed Canadian Comedy Person of the Year. The entire official list of winners is printed below on page 2.

The 2011 Canadian Comedy Awards and Festival featured dozens of events over five days, including **The Stand-Up Comedy Showcase Gala** at the Panasonic Theatre (hosted by **Shaun Majumder**), a myriad of live performances by this year's nominees, a **special tribute to Air Farce's Roger Abbott**, plus numerous industry seminars at the Delta Chelsea.

Additional information can be found at www.canadiancomedy.ca

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Official 2011 Canadian Comedy Awards List of Winners

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Best Stand-Up Male – Steve Patterson
Best Stand-Up Female – Debra DiGiovanni
Best Stand-Up Newcomer – Eric Andrews
Best Comedic Play, Revue, or Series – Something Wicked Awesome This Way Comes
– The Second City
Best One Person Show – Cancer Can't Dance Like This – Daniel Stolfi
Best Sketch Troupe or Company – Picnicface
Best Improv Troupe or Company – The National Theatre of the World's Impromptu
Splendor
Best Male Improviser – Ron Pederson
Best Female Improviser – Sarah Hillier
Best Taped Live Performance – Nikki Payne – Halifax Comedy Fest 2010
Best Direction – Television Program or Series – James Dunnison – Less Than Kind
Best Writing – Television Program or Series – Ken Finkleman – Good Dog
Best Television Performance – Male – Jason Priestley – Call Me Fitz
Best Television Performance – Female – Brooke Palsson – Less Than Kind
Best Television Performance – Ensemble – James Harnett, Hannah Hogan, Alana
Johnston, Kayla Lorette, Joey Lucius, Alex Spencer, AJ Vaage – That's So Weird
Best Film Performance – Male – Jay Baruchel – Good Neighbours
Best Film Performance – Female – Maria del Mar – A Touch of Grey
Best Writing – Film – Jacob Tierney – Good Neighbours
Best Direction – Film – Jacob Medjuck – Summerhood
Best Radio Clip or Program – This Is That – Pat Kelly and Peter Oldring
Best Web Clip – That Thing That Happened
Best TV Show – This Movie Sucks!
Best Film – Summerhood
Canadian Comedy Person of the Year – Samantha Bee
Dave Broadfoot Award – Jayne Eastwood
Chairman's Award – Cory Mack

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