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New York Women in Film & Television Announces the 2017 Fall Scholarship Recipients

Five second-year graduate film students to receive financial assistance to pursue their own projects.

NEW YORK, NY (May 10, 2018) – New York Women in Film & Television (NYWIFT) is pleased to announce the latest recipients of NYWIFT Scholarships. The NYWIFT Scholarship Fund was established in 1995 to provide financial assistance to second-year women students enrolled in graduate film programs. NYWIFT provides a \$2,500 scholarship each year to a second-year female film student at the City College of New York, Columbia University and New York University. This year, NYWIFT is also offering a new scholarship to a student from the new innovative Stony Brook/Killer Films MFA in Film program. Students are nominated by faculty at their respective institutions.

The recipients are:

April G. Joffe (City College of New York)
Gina Hackett (Columbia University)
Lin Que Ayoung (New York University)
Yasmine Gomez (Stony Brook University)
Maya Cozia (School of Visual Arts)

“One of the key ways we further our mission of championing and supporting women in the industry is through the NYWIFT Scholarship Fund,” said NYWIFT Executive Terry Lawler. “We look forward to welcoming these accomplished young women into the NYWIFT community.”

The financial assistance provided by these scholarships allows these future media makers to pursue their own projects, while also giving them access to the one-of-a-kind networking and professional development opportunities for which NYWIFT, the preeminent entertainment industry association for women in New York, is known. Past scholarship recipients have gone on to diverse and illustrious careers. Since its inception, the Scholarship Fund has provided assistance to over 50 students.

In the Spring, NYWIFT also provides an award to a graduating senior from the School of Visual Arts and the Sabrina Wright-Gilliar Scholarship, established last year and named for the legendary props master, to a female high school senior graduating from the Academy for

Careers in Television and Film (TvF).

Read more about the Scholarship Fund and watch interviews with past recipients [HERE](#)

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About New York Women in Film & Television:

New York Women in Film & Television (NYWIFT) advocates for equality in the moving image industry and supports women in every stage of their careers. As the preeminent entertainment industry association for women in New York, NYWIFT energizes women by illuminating their achievements, presenting training and professional development programs, awarding scholarships and grants, and providing access to a supportive community of peers.

The preeminent professional association for women in the New York entertainment industry, NYWIFT brings together nearly 2,500 women and men working both above and below the line. NYWIFT is part of a network of 50 women in film chapters worldwide, representing more than 15,000 members. NYWIFT produces over 50 innovative programs and special events annually, including the Muse Awards for Vision and Achievement, which honors women in front of and behind the camera, and Designing Women, which recognizes costume designers, makeup artists and hair stylists in the industry.

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