

## **“Hemmings House Pictures Wins Multiple International Awards at the nextMEDIA Interactive & Pilots Awards**

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Atlantic Canadian based media production company Hemmings House Pictures was honored at the Banff World Television Festival on Wednesday. Greg Hemmings accepted three awards at the nextMEDIA Interactive & Pilots Awards. The awards honor the future of television programming, as well as showcasing the talent and creativity of international producers.

Three Hemmings House pilots were nominated in the Pilots Competition.

*Sistema* is a documentary about the Venezuelan classical music social program, *Cubicle to the Cage* is a TV series about a group of ordinary people being transformed into Mixed Martial Arts cage fighters, and *Wrestling With Reality* is a series following professional wrestlers as they strive to stay in the spot light.

*Sistema* and *Cubicle to the Cage* both won in their categories, with the third win being the top honor given to *Sistema* winning for the “Best Overall Pilot”.

Hemmings is excited to represent his team who has worked for many months to produce the three pilots which will be the beginning of the next season of the company’s production slate. “I am so proud to be part of the team at Hemmings House Pictures. Being recognized at this iconic international event helps us to continue creating within our province, and puts us on the map.” *Sistema* will broadcast on CBC, *Cubicle to the Cage* is in development with Toronto’s Portfolio Entertainment, and *Wrestling With Reality* has just been sold in Europe to the Extreme Channel.

Saint John, New Brunswick native and Banff Television Festival employee Sara Thorley-Titus attended the awards saying, “The awards that Hemmings House Pictures took home tonight are very important for the New Brunswick film industry, it was exciting to have the province represented so well, and recognized internationally.”

New Brunswick producers Andrew Tidby of Tidby Pictures, Tony Whalen of Shore Road Pictures, and Richard McQueen of Realm Productions Coalition, Mark Bishop of Marble Media and the film industry government representative Sandra Jamieson were also at Banff representing the province. This was the 31<sup>st</sup> year of the Banff World Television Festival.