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TELEVISION ACADEMY FOUNDATION TO PRESENT 'THE POWER OF TV: EXPLORING TV'S ROLE IN SHAPING HEALTHY MASCULINITY' OCT. 26

Panel of Experts and Creatives to Explore Evolving Representation of Manhood in Media in Free, Open-to-the-Public Event



(**LOS ANGELES** – Oct. 12, 2023) — The Television Academy Foundation today announced it will host "The Power of TV: Exploring TV's Role in Shaping Healthy Masculinity" on Oct. 26, from 9:30-10:30 a.m. PDT. The free, open-to-the-public event will be held at the Television Academy's North Hollywood campus. To register, visit **TelevisionAcademy.com/power-of-tv/tickets**.

The event will feature an informative and impactful panel discussion on the portrayal of healthy masculinity in media, as panelists explore how television programming is evolving to challenge traditional notions of masculinity and promote positive representations on screen. From breaking down stereotypes to exploring emotional vulnerability, esteemed industry experts will delve into the ways in which

television can shape narratives around healthy masculinity and highlight how content creators can further the issue through the transformative power of inclusive storytelling and authentic portrayals in programming.

Panelists for the event include television showrunner Glen Mazzara (*The Walking* Dead; *The Rookie*); Gary Barker, president and CEO, Equimundo: Center for Masculinities and Social Justice; and Ted Bunch, chief development officer, A Call to Men, an organization that educates men and boys internationally on healthy, respectful manhood. The discussion will be moderated by Tarah Malhotra-Feinberg, executive producer of the "Man Enough" podcast at Wayfarer Studios.

"For this latest installment of the Foundation's ongoing public event series, we're assembling a panel of top experts on the critical and timely topic of healthy masculinity," said Cris Abrego, chair of the Television Academy Foundation. "They will address television's significant role in helping shape positive social change through compelling storylines, complex character development and diverse perspectives on manhood."

The event will take place in the Wolf Theatre at the Academy's Saban Media Center, 5210 Lankershim Blvd., North Hollywood. Admission is free; RSVP is required. To register, visit **TelevisionAcademy.com/power-of-tv/tickets**.

A full recording of the panel discussion will also be made available for on-demand viewing at <u>TelevisionAcademy.com</u> at a later date.

About the Television Academy Foundation

Established in 1959 as the charitable arm of the Television Academy, the Television Academy Foundation is dedicated to preserving the legacy of television while educating and inspiring those who will shape its future. Through renowned educational and outreach programs such as The Interviews: An Oral History of Television Project, College Television Awards and Summit, Student Internship Program, and the Media Educators Conference, the Foundation seeks to widen the circle of voices our industry represents and to create more opportunity for television to reflect all of society. For more information on the Foundation, please visit TelevisionAcademy.com/Foundation.

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