



## Organization of Black Screenwriters Announces Finalists in the 2008 OBS Original Script Contest

LOS ANGELES, CA - January 12, 2009 - At the OBS meeting on Saturday, January 10, 2009 the finalists for the 2008 OBS Original Script contest were announced. The announcement included Honorable Mention, Semi-Finalists, and the Finalists for both Television and Film categories.

The **1st Place** winner of the Television category will have the opportunity to take a meeting with Traci Blackwell, Director of Current Programming at The CW and Holly Brown, Film Development Coordinator at Overbrook Entertainment.

The **1st Place** winner in the Film category will have an opportunity to take a meeting with Glendon Palmer, Director of Development at Our Stories Films and Holly Brown, Film Development Coordinator at Overbrook Entertainment.

## 2008 OBS ORIGINAL SCRIPT CONTEST FINALISTS! CONGRATULATIONS!

Please join us in congratulating our FINALISTS.

### TELEVISION

THE VALUE OF EX - By Bridgett M. Lawrence - Glendale, CA  
HUNTER'S POINT - By Hilliard Guess - Hollywood, CA  
IF YOU ONLY KNEW - Rene N. Rawls - Los Angeles, CA  
GIRL MEETS GOD - Yolanda Brown - Greensboro, NC  
OLIVIA, THE SLAVE - Yolanda Brown - Greensboro, NC  
ALL ABOUT INGRID - Christy Michelle Lavalais - Van Nuys, CA

### FEATURE FILM

SOCCER MOM - By Dwayne Conyers - Alexandria, VA  
THE ARK - By Teri Brown-Jackson - Reseda, CA  
A BULLET BEATS A HANGIN'! - By Tony Bankston - Los Angeles, CA  
ELLINGTON'S JYNX - By Cassandra Black - Los Angeles, CA  
BOOKSIE - By DeMarco Dunnigan - Rancho Cucamonga, CA  
HARD KNOCKS - By Jela Oba Okpara Perry - Santa Monica, CA  
COUGARS ON THREE - By Tanisha White - Encino, CA  
THE HARD PLACE - By Doug Jackson - North Hollywood, CA  
WORTH FIGHTING FOR - Marlene Taylor - Tarzana, CA

*Stay tuned for the announcement of our winners in February!*

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## SEMI-FINALISTS AND HONORABLE MENTIONS...

### SEMI-FINALISTS

#### TELEVISION

THERE'S A LOT TO LOVE "LOVE, THE HARDEST THING TO LOVE"  
- Raenell D. Jones Los Angeles, CA

THE GOODE GIRLS - Angie Marbury-Reevers Lawrenceville, GA  
THE VALUE OF EX - Bridgett M. Lawrence - Glendale, CA  
HUNTER'S POINT - Hilliard Guess - Hollywood, CA  
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#### FEATURE FILM

CHARITY CASE - Malcolm Carter Playa Del Rey, CA  
MUM - Todd Rhys-Roosevelt Oxford, ENG  
LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP - Nyabingi Kuti Glendale, CA  
A LITTLE OFF THE TOP - Jason Wright Redlands, CA  
MAD DOG RUN - Beverly Smith Dawson Phoenix, AZ  
STAT GUY - Altman Carter Longwood, FL  
RIDERS OF THE APOCALYPSE - Jason Wright Redlands, CA  
THE FUNKY FRESH FIVE - Mark S. Rochon Chicago, IL  
WINDY CITY STORY - Frank (BINDER) Artrage Berkeley, CA  
THE SAME BLOOD - Angie Marbury Reeves Lawrenceville, GA  
TWINKLE - Cassandra Black Los Angeles, CA  
SOCCER MOM - Dwayne Conyers Alexandria, VA  
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There's also our **Honorable Mention**.  
They did a good job, but there is still work to be done.

### HONORABLE MENTION

#### TELEVISION

I'M NOT YOUR MOTHER - By Todd Rhys-Roosevelt Oxford, ENG  
FIFTH QUARTER: FLAGDOWN - By Donique Patton & Rick Walls Burbank, CA  
AN AFFLUENT HIDEAWAY - By Zelig Dember-Slack Yorba Linda, CA  
DORM DIARIES - By Jo-Issa Rae Diop New York, NY  
SLIPKNOT - By Kristen V Carter Newark, NJ  
THIS IS SO NOT HAPPENING - By Jamica C. Ashley Wilmington, NC

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DEEP COVER "HOME IS WHERE THE CRIME IS" - By Shaleatha Palmore Palmdale, CA  
CADDY & LAZ - By Marcus Thomas IL  
T.P.A. (TRANS PACIFIC AIRLINES) - By Michelle Paige Las Vegas, NV

### FEATURE FILM

COURTSIDE - By Alan C. Beard North Hollywood, CA  
BEST SERVED COLD - By Thomas A. Bryant Bristol, TN  
DEXTER'S DESTINY - By Zelig Dember-Slack Yorba Linda, CA  
LILAH - By Melda Robinson Antioch, TN  
SEPARATE BUT EQUAL - By Brandon Hammond El Monte, CA  
FLORIDA SKY - By Kimberly Allen North Hollywood, CA  
BUDDY FOR LIFE - By Maine Johnson Los Angeles, CA  
THE ANKH - By Leonard Hunter Pittsburg, CA  
MEN WITHOUT SHADOW - By Claude-Michel Prevost British Columbia, CAN  
REALITY CHECK - By Wm. Jaman Taylor Marietta, GA  
2011 ALCATRAZ LANE - By Joy Bennett Laverne, CA  
BETWEEN THE LIES - By Rachel Skerritt Roxbury, MA  
THE GOOD LIFE - By Regina Junior Crosett, AR  
THE LAWYER'S SON - By Wm. Jaman Taylor Marietta, GA  
COHORTS - By Aundrea Trotter Jackson, MS  
DREAM LOVER - By Dwayne Conyers Alexandria, VA  
THE WOMEN BEFORE ME - By Lasey S. Latta Victorville, CA  
PRE\$ - By George W. Stubbs, II Culver City, CA

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