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AWARDS AT THE OSCAR PARTY

Hungarian Hollywood Council

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USPA NEWS - Once, the Oscar Party of the Hungarian Hollywood Council is organized, everybody knows that prestigious awards will be presented to important personalities. It will exactly happen on March 27., 2022, too. The fifth Oscar Party of the Council will be hosted by the Europa Event Center at a 250-persons seated festive dinner.

What kind of awards we talk about? The first and the most prestigious award of the Hungarian Hollywood Council was established in 2018. The Adolph Zukor Award can be presented to those people whose activity helped to promote the fame of the Hungarian film in the past and in the present. Those people whose life proved to be a sample for others and they demonstrated that dreams can be fulfilled with willpower, belief in ourselves and devoted work. The award was named after the founding father of the Paramount Pictures Studio who was born in a tiny Hungarian village, Ricse in 1873. The award was presented between 2018-2021 among others to Oscar-winner director Ferenc Rófusz, producer Andy Vajna, world-wide-known stunt Gábor Piroch, film commissioner Csaba Káel, actors Gyula Bodrogi and Róbert Koltai.

Tony Curtis, the legendary Hollywood superstar had his roots in Hungary. His parents emigrated to US from an Eastern Hungarian town, Mátészalka. Curtis, himself, visited several times the birthplace of his parents, „in the footsteps of my father” – as he said. The second award of the Council took the name of Tony Curtis. It can be presented to personalities who had done a lot for keeping the traditions alive. Béla Bunyik, the founding director of the Los Angeles Hungarian Film Festival was also among the awardees. And it is really a story that the daughter of Tony Curtis, Jamie Lee Curtis shot the film „Borderlands” in Budapest in 2021, so the Hungarian Hollywood Council managed to take her to Mátészalka, to visit the place of her family roots. Jamie Lee was touched very much by the ambiance of the town, her ancestors came from. You can imagine what she felt entering the old Synagogue where her grandfather used to pray. Jamie Lee was awarded in this very Synagogue with the Tony Curtis award for her devotion to preserve traditions, keeping alive family roots, thus serving as an example for young generations to build bridges between nations.

The third award was established in 2020. It is the Paramount Premium Award. This award is presented to young artists who proved their skill in the starting period of their career and their recognition and stimulation will definitely help them to attract the audience. And organizations, institutions can also get this award if they offer ethical or material support for the Council in its mission to maintain the memory of Hungarians in Hollywood.

Finally, in 2021 the Council and a small Slovakian village (formerly Hungarian) Nagykapos announced the Robert Capa Award for those who had done a lot for recognizing the photographers` profession and for using the photo art for keeping the old memories alive. Why Nagykapos? Because the parents of the world most recognised photoreporter who died during his work stepping on a mine field in Vietnam, were coming from this village. Nagykapos cultivates Capa`s life and art having a Robert Capa museum there.

As we are not aware of the nominations for all the 4 awards, the March 27 Oscar Gala will definitely cause a surprise with the names of the nominees. Let us wait for a while, and we can celebrate the winners. Come, be a part of the Oscar Party. Register yourself at info@magyarhollywoodtanacs.com

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