

Foxtel Secures 19 Nominations in the 59th Annual TV WEEK Logie Awards

For the second year in a row Foxtel has secured an outstanding 19 nominations for the 59th Annual TV WEEK Logie Awards 2017, including a staggering 14 for its internationally celebrated Australian dramas, three for its lifestyle and factual shows, and two for its leading news and sports coverage.

Foxtel Executive Director of Television Brian Walsh said, "These 19 nominations from across the platform for the TV WEEK Logie Awards have been earned by the talented creative team we have at Foxtel, as well as the quality actors, actresses and presenters we've been fortunate enough to work with in producing these television programs. To see returning seasons of *Wentworth*, *A Place To Call Home*, *Gogglebox Australia*, and *Selling Houses Australia* continue to pull in the nominations makes me very proud of our local content, and cements the resonance our shows have amongst our viewers and their ever-growing fan bases."

Showcase's local drama series **A Place To Call Home** and **Wentworth** acquired seven nominations between them, and were joined this year by Foxtel's two incredible Australian mini-series, **The Kettering Incident** and **Secret City**, shows that also garnered a total of seven nominations.

Wentworth's cutting-edge fourth season is nominated for both Most Outstanding Drama Series (peer voted) and Best Drama Series (popular voted). This year **Danielle Cormack** is nominated for Most Outstanding Actress for her role as Bea Smith, and **Nicole da Silva** who plays Franky Doyle is nominated for Most Outstanding Supporting Actress, the same category won by her *Wentworth* co-star Celia Ireland in 2016 for her role as Liz Birdsworth. *Wentworth*'s fifth season will launch on April 4 on showcase.

The fourth season of sweeping drama *A Place To Call Home* has gained a nomination for Most Outstanding Drama Series. **Marta Dusseldorp** has been nominated for Best Actress for playing Sarah Nordmann and **Jenni Baird** has been nominated in the Most Outstanding Supporting Actress category for her role as Regina Bligh. The fifth season of *A Place To Call Home* is planned to premiere on showcase later in the year.

Smash hit mystery series *The Kettering Incident* has secured four nominations at this year's TV WEEK Logie Awards. *The Kettering Incident* has been nominated for Most Outstanding Mini-series, **Elizabeth Debicki** for Most Outstanding Actress as her character Anna Macy, **Henry Nixon** for Most Outstanding Actor as Fergus McFadden, and **Tilda Cobham-Hervey** is also nominated for the Graham Kennedy Award for Most Outstanding Newcomer for her role as Eliza Grayson.

Foxtel's political thriller **Secret City** has been nominated for Most Outstanding Mini-series with **Anna Torv** nominated for Most Outstanding Actress for her performance as Harriet Dunkley, and **Damon Herriman** nominated for Most Outstanding Supporting Actor for his role as Kim Gordon.

Last year's Best Factual Program winner **Gogglebox Australia** has once again been nominated in both the Best Factual Program (popular voted) and Most Outstanding Factual Program (peer voted) categories. **Gogglebox Australia** season 5 is on Wednesday nights at 7.30pm and season 6 is planned to premiere on Lifestyle in the second half of 2017.

Selling Houses Australia has been nominated for Best Lifestyle Program. Hosted by real estate expert Andrew Winter, interior designer Shaynna Blaze and landscape artist Charlie Albone, **Selling Houses Australia** is currently in its tenth season on Lifestyle Wednesdays at 8.30pm.

FOX SPORTS' *Monday Night with Matty Johns* is nominated for Best Sports Program, and the *Sky News Election Coverage 2016* is nominated for the Most Outstanding News Coverage.

For a full list of all nominees for the 59th TV WEEK Logie Awards visit <u>www.tvweeklogieawards.com.au</u>.

The **59th TV WEEK Logie Awards 2017** will take place at **Crown Entertainment Complex's Palladium Room** in Melbourne on **Sunday April 23, 2017**.

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