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Angela Matemtja Wins Award in Accolade Global Film Competition

(Los Angeles, CA 03/06/2018) – Angela Matemtja, represented by Cinthia Becks at the Alvarado Rey Agency, has won a prestigious Award of Merit from *The Accolade Global Film Competition*. The award was given for leading actress and feature film to Angela Matemtja's socially conscious first feature film ELEVATE, where she is credited as the writer, director and star.

ELEVATE features diverse story lines that include stellar performances from Dynasty star Brianna Brown, from Emmy nominated LGBTQ series East-Siders star and creator, Kit Williamson, and an exceptional score by Alexa L. Borden.

“This is the first time I’ve won an award for leading actress and I am just so thrilled! This is an incredibly personal piece, years in the making. I believe art has the power to heal and with this film I hope to encourage those that may be in a dark place, that they can indeed can Elevate their situation, no matter how grave things appear to be.” –Angela Matemtja

The Accolade recognizes film, television, videography and new media professionals who demonstrate exceptional achievement in craft and creativity, and those who produce standout entertainment or contribute to profound social change. Entries are judged by highly qualified professionals in the film and television industry. Information about the *Accolade* and a list of recent winners can be found at www.accoladecompetition.org.

In winning an *Accolade*, Angela Matemtja and her team, join the ranks of other high-profile winners of this internationally respected award including the Oscar winning production of *The Lady in Number Six* by Malcolm Clarke, the very talented Dave Bossert of Disney for his short documentary, *The Tunes Behind The Toons*, Hollywood industry veteran Ron Howard for *When You Find Me* and Highwire Films Australia for their popular ABC TV series *twentysomething*.

Rick Prickett, who chairs *The Accolade Global Film Competition*, had this to say about the latest winners, “*The Accolade* is not an easy award to win. Entries are received from around the world from powerhouse companies to remarkable new talent. *The Accolade* helps set the standard for craft and creativity. The judges were pleased with the exceptional high quality of entries. The goal of *The Accolade* is to help winners achieve the recognition they deserve.”

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