

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**THE TELEVISION ACADEMY
FIRST TO ELIMINATE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION DVD SCREENERS
FOR THE 2020 EMMY® AWARDS**

(NoHo Arts District, Calif. —Jan. 18, 2019) — The Television Academy became the first major Hollywood organization to announce the elimination of DVD screeners for the 2020 Emmy eligibility period as part of its awards nominating and voting process.

The move is aimed at saving the television industry tens of millions of dollars, while also positively impacting the environment via elimination of waste. It keeps pace with technological advancements in content delivery and the viewing trends of Academy members. In 2020, screening of eligible programs will take place exclusively on digital platforms hosted by the production and distribution entities or on the Television Academy's viewing platform.

Newly elected Television Academy Chairman Frank Scherma said, "This is a wonderful opportunity for the Academy to take an important first step to move the industry forward in an area of great concern for both our partners and members, reducing costs and delivering a tremendous positive impact for the environment. Television has an ever-expanding role as the world's most innovative and popular entertainment medium, and this decision embraces the evolution of viewing practices and preferences of the Academy's 25,000 members and the industry at large."

The Academy's board of governors formally adopted the plan in order for the organization to proactively and effectively communicate the change throughout the industry—helping partners and vendors involved in Emmy Award planning and promotion understand and assist in the transition. The new policy will go into effect following the 71st Emmy Awards on Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019.

About the Television Academy

The Television Academy seeks to expand the horizons of television excellence. Through the programs, publications and events of the Academy and its Foundation, it strives to empower storytellers who shape the evolving television space. And it celebrates those who have excelled by recognizing their achievements through accolades and awards, including television's most coveted prize the Primetime Emmy® Award. For more information, please visit TelevisionAcademy.com.

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