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## More Stars Coming out for 2009 Genie Awards

George Stroumboulopoulos, Callum Keith Rennie and Wendy Crewson join an already glamorous night

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(Toronto, ON) April 2, 2009—The 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Genie Awards is pumping up the star-power with the addition of several Canadian celebrities to the ceremony. The Academy of Canadian Cinema & Television (ACCT) along with Canwest announced today that the list of presenters for the April 4<sup>th</sup> broadcast will also include:

- ❖ Wendy Crewson—*Flashpoint, Away From Her, ReGenesis*
- ❖ Jayne Eastwood—*Billable Hours, Little Mosque On The Prairie*
- ❖ Callum Keith Rennie—*Battlestar Galactica, Californication*
- ❖ Rick Roberts—*Pontypool, Murdoch Mysteries*
- ❖ George Stroumboulopoulos—*The Hour*

Former “kid in the hall” Dave Foley will be hosting the 2009 Gala Awards.

Award Presenters announced previously announced include:

- Devon Bostick—*Being Erica, Fugitive Pieces*
- Chloe Bourgeois—*Tout est parfait/Everything Is Fine*
- Joe Dinicol—*Passchendaele, Spoliation*
- Éveline Gélinas—*Ce qu'il faut pour vivre/The Necessities Of Life*
- Marianne Fortier—*Maman est chez le coiffeur/Mommy Is At The Hairdresser's*
- Sheila McCarthy—*Stone Angel, Little Mosque On The Prairie*
- Kevin Newman—*Global National*
- Gordon Pinsent—2008 Genie Award winner for Best Actor in a Leading Role, *Away From Her*
- Sarah Polley—2008 Genie Awards three-time winner, *Away From Her*
- Vik Sahay—*Amal, Chuck*
- Rossif Sutherland—*Poor Boy's Game, Lie Detector*
- Karine Vanasse—*Polytechnique*

Dave Foley and all presenters will walk the Red Carpet beginning at 4:30 pm ET.

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