



Women in Film and Television - Toronto announces 2008 NBC Universal Development Incubator: Call for Applications

(TORONTO – Thursday, January 31, 2008) WIFT-T is pleased to announce the 2008 **NBC Universal Development Incubator**. This national initiative is designed to develop market-driven feature films and support the next generation of Canadian feature filmmakers.

Emerging to intermediate producer and writer teams, with feature-length dramatic projects in development, are encouraged to apply now. Five teams will be chosen to work with international consultants and select industry advisors in a series of small group sessions. Each team will develop a script and prepare preliminary marketing packages. The successful candidates will be selected by a jury of industry representatives. Applicants must be WIFT-T members.

“We are thrilled to offer writers and producers the opportunity to hone their skills through these very focused small group sessions,” said Sadia Zaman, Executive Director of WIFT-T. “We thank NBC Universal for their continued support on this essential program.”

Deadline for Applications: Monday, February 18, 2008

The **NBC Universal Development Incubator** will include additional programming. The **Women’s Writer’s Workshop** will target emerging women screenwriters who have a detailed outline or treatment, and are working on the first draft of a feature script. **The Feature Film Writing Program** will be a three-part refresher course that will take writers through the elements of developing a feature film script. Components will include Feature Structure, Character Development and Dialogue. These workshops will take place throughout April, May and June. Priority registration will be given to WIFT-T members.

For more information on the program and how to apply, visit www.wift.com. The program is presented in partnership with NBC Universal and Telefilm Canada.

Women in Film and Television-Toronto (WIFT-T) is a not-for-profit professional organization founded in 1984. WIFT-T supports women in screen-based media (film, television and digital media) to build, advance and sustain their careers nationally and internationally. WIFT-T does this through hands-on high quality

programming, mentoring, networking, and industry events that recognize the talents and potential of women. Our mission is to enhance the skills of our members so they can become significant decision-makers at all levels of the industry. For more information, visit www.wift.com or www.canadianfilmmaker.com.

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