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**THE NEW YORK CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND SCIENCES ANNOUNCES ITS 2013 GOVERNORS' AWARD RECIPIENT**

*Thirteen to be Honored at the Black-Tie Gala*

**New York, NY, March 1, 2013** – Each year, the Board of Governors of the New York Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences may choose to recognize an individual, company, or organization with the prestigious Governors' Award. This honorary Emmy® acknowledges outstanding achievements in the television industry. This year the Board of the New York Chapter unanimously selected Thirteen as the recipient of the 2013 Governors' Award, to recognize its exceptional contributions to our region over the last 50 years.

Since 1962, the Governors' Award has honored those that have made a substantial impact and demonstrated an extraordinary use of television. The feats and accomplishments of these individuals, companies and organizations are remarkable and unique, falling beyond the scope of our annual awards.

New York's Thirteen, the flagship station of PBS, has continued to build upon its lineup for the past five decades, producing engaging programming for its viewers, such as *Nature*, *Great Performances*, *American Masters*, *Need to Know*, and *Cyberchase*, Thirteen also broadcasts well-known series such as *NOVA*, *Masterpiece*, *Antiques Roadshow* as well as the much-loved children's program, *Sesame Street*.

"For 50 years Thirteen has been serving New York and the Tri-State area with programs that educate, inspire and enlighten" said Neal Shapiro, President and CEO of Thirteen. "And to be recognized with the Governors' Award from the New York Chapter of NATAS is an incredible honor."

"We are thrilled to honor the outstanding work of Thirteen as they celebrate their milestone 50th anniversary," said Jacqueline Gonzalez, Executive Director, of the New York Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences. "Thirteen continues to touch the hearts of its viewers, and we are delighted to highlight their significant accomplishments and pay tribute to them at our upcoming 2013 New York Emmy® Awards gala."

The Governors' Award will be presented at the 56<sup>th</sup> New York Emmy® Awards, an annual ceremony recognizing the outstanding work of New York's finest media professionals in over 100 Emmy® categories. The black-tie affair, attended by nearly 1,000 esteemed guests, will be held at the Marriott Marquis, Times Square on Sunday, April 14, 2013. For additional information please visit [www.nyemmys.org](http://www.nyemmys.org).

**The New York Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences**, founded in 1955, is the preeminent membership organization serving all media professionals in the television industry, offering career enhancing events and networking opportunities. NY NATAS fosters creativity and inspires artistic and technical excellence through the renowned Emmy® Award, the most prestigious honor and most coveted peer-recognition symbol of distinction in television.

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