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HOLLYWOOD STAR JANE FONDA TO BE HONORED BY LOS ANGELES LGBT CENTER ON NOVEMBER 7

46TH ANNIVERSARY VANGUARD AWARDS

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Academy award nominated screenwriter Ron Nyswaner will also be honored. He is an openly gay writer, producer, documentary filmmaker, activist and pioneer in LGBT-related films. He is the Academy Award nominated screenwriter of 'Philadelphia' and is the winner of a Peabody Award for his film 'Soldier's Girl', which tells the true-life story of transgender heroine Calpernia Addams. More recently, he wrote 'freeheld', the groundbreaking story of a woman's struggle to win her lesbian partner's pension benefits after she's diagnosed with terminal cancer.

Jane Fonda said 'This honor means a lot to me. The work that the Center does for the LGBT community, its children, and extended families is profound and essential.'

Jane Fonda became a friend and ally to the LGBT community at a time when celebrities advocating for LGBT rights was almost unthinkable. She campaigned with Harvey Milk against California's anti-LGBT Briggs Initiative, fought Anita Bryant (the notorious activist who demonized LGBT with a campaign to repeal an anti-discrimination ordinance in Florida) and has been a lifelong supporter of the LGBT community and champion for human rights.

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