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CINE ANNOUNCES ITS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AND TRAILBLAZER HONOREES

Edward James Olmos and Gwen Ifill to be Honored at Gala

Washington, D.C. April 13, 2008---CINE, the Council on International Nontheatrical Events, is please to announce that its 50th Anniversary and Awards Gala will be held April 24, 2008 at Washington's Newseum on Pennsylvania Avenue. At the April 24 Gala, CINE will pay tribute to Edward James Olmos, award-winning actor and current star of the popular Sci-Fi series Battlestar Galactica, who will receive CINE's Lifetime Achievement Award, and Gwen Ifill, Senior Correspondent with the NewsHour with Jim Lehrer, who will receive CINE's Trailblazer Award.

The recognition of Olmos and Ifill will be the highlight of an evening that will include presentations to the recipients of CINE's Masters Award, along with highlights of the winning and nominated films.

"It is CINE's privilege to recognize Gwen Ifill and Edward James Olmos for their memorable and important contributions," said CINE President Donald Thoms, "In addition, I can't think of a more appropriate and spectacular venue for recognizing these stellar talents and the CINE filmmaking award winners, than the stunning new Newseum."

CINE, the prestigious film competitions group, is known for the CINE Golden Eagle Awards which recognize excellence in filmmaking, and provide peer recognition and

validation to professional and student filmmakers. CINE has a track record of early recognition of talent: Ken Burns, Steven Spielberg, Stanley Nelson, Mira Nair and Ron Howard, among many others, won CINE Golden Eagles early in their careers. In addition to its awards, CINE provides website coverage to winning filmmakers, presents an online Master Class series and will conduct workshops for filmmakers in the upcoming year.

Thoms, Vice-President of Talent Development for Discovery Networks, added “The successes achieved by Eddie Olmos and Gwen Ifill are reflective of their talent and hard work and it’s wonderful that a museum designed to honor the the First Amendment would be the locale for honoring each of them.”

For more information about CINE, or to register for the 50th Anniversary Awards Gala, please go to www.cine.org.