



Press release from Voice of the Listener & Viewer

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## **VLV AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN BROADCASTING 2016**

The Voice of the Listener & Viewer (VLV) has announced the nominations for their Annual Awards for Excellence in Broadcasting 2016. Sir Tony Robinson will present the winners with their awards on Wednesday 26 April 2017 during the VLV Annual Spring Conference at the Geological Society in London.

The VLV Awards celebrate many aspects of broadcasting, across television and radio, and are nominated and voted for by VLV members – the viewers and listeners of this content.

Last year's winners included *Wolf Hall* for best television drama programme; best individual contributors were awarded to *Jon Snow* for television and *James Naughtie* for radio and *From Our Own Correspondent* scooped the best radio news and factual programme. The full list of nominees for 2016 is below.

Additionally there will be two awards chosen by VLV's Trustees - the Naomi Sargent Award for someone who has contributed to the field of education and VLV's Special Award for a major contribution to public service broadcasting. Previous winners of the Trustees' Special Award are Sir David Attenborough and Gillian Reynolds.

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## **VLV AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN BROADCASTING 2016**

### **NOMINEES:**

#### **BEST TV DRAMA PROGRAMME**

Endeavour

Line of Duty

National Treasure

ITV

BBC Two

Channel 4

The Missing	BBC One
The Night Manager	BBC One
War and Peace	BBC One

#### **BEST TV NEWS AND FACTUAL PROGRAMME**

Daily Politics	BBC Two
Mary Beard's Ultimate Rome, Empire without Limit	BBC Two
Planet Earth II	BBC One
Slow Television	BBC Four
The Coming War on China	ITV
The Secret Life of 4 Year Olds	Channel 4

#### **BEST TV CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME**

Hey Duggee	CBeebies
Horrible Histories	CBBC
My Life	CBBC
Operation Ouch	CBBC
Something Special	CBeebies
Stick Man	BBC One

#### **BEST TV ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT PROGRAMME**

Have I got News for you	BBC One
Power Monkeys	Channel 4
The Great British Bake Off	BBC One
The Last Leg	Channel 4
The X Factor	ITV
University Challenge	BBC Two

#### **BEST TV INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTION**

Sir David Attenborough  
Mary Berry  
Clare Balding  
Lyse Doucet  
Professor Mary Beard  
Andrew Neil

#### **BEST RADIO DRAMA AND COMEDY PROGRAMME**

Dead Ringers	Radio 4
Ed Reardon's Week	Radio 4
I'm Sorry I Haven't a Clue	Radio 4
Just a Minute	Radio 4
The Archers	Radio 4
The Now Show	Radio 4

#### **BEST RADIO NEWS AND FACTUAL PROGRAMME**

Start the Week	Radio 4
The Briefing Room	Radio 4
The Life Scientific	Radio 4
The Media Show	Radio 4
Today	Radio 4
World At One	Radio 4

## **BEST RADIO MUSIC AND ARTS PROGRAMME**

Front Row	Radio 4
In Tune	Radio 3
Private Passions	Radio 3
Record Review	Radio 3
Saturday Review	Radio 4
Soul Music	Radio 4

## **BEST INDIVIDUAL CONTRIBUTOR TO RADIO**

Tim Harford  
The late Steve Hewlett  
Mishal Husain  
Paddy O'Connell  
Sean Rafferty  
Tom Sutcliffe

### **Notes to editors:**

1. **HOW TO ENSURE THE CITIZEN DIVIDEND - Public service broadcasting in a digital age** takes place on **Wednesday 26 April 2017** at The Geological Society in Burlington House, Piccadilly, London, W1J 0BG from 10.30 am to 4.00 pm.
2. Journalists are welcome to attend the conference. For a media pass, please contact Sue Washbrook on [sue.washbrook@vlv.org.uk](mailto:sue.washbrook@vlv.org.uk) or call 01474 338716
3. Conference bookings - To book online for the conference please go to the [VLV website](#) or email [Sue Washbrook](mailto:Sue Washbrook) or call her on 01474 338716
4. The Voice of the Listener & Viewer welcomes new members. Details on how to join can be found on the [VLV website](#)
5. The Voice of the Listener & Viewer (VLV) is an independent, non-profit-making membership association, free from political, commercial and sectarian affiliations, working for quality and diversity in British broadcasting content. VLV represents the interests of listeners and viewers as citizens and consumers across the full range of broadcasting issues. VLV is concerned with the structures, regulation, funding and institutions that underpin the British broadcasting system. VLV is a charitable company limited by guarantee.
6. For over 30 years VLV has played a unique role in keeping a citizen's eye on major legislative proposals and action taken by regulators and broadcasters, enabling the voice of consumers to be heard, independently from the interests of political parties, industry players and other pressure groups.
7. VLV is run by a board of Trustees, chaired by Colin Browne. Dame Colette Bowe is its President.

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