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BLACKSTONE RECEIVES 5 NOMINATIONS FOR 2011 LEO AWARDS

Edmonton, Alberta (May 11, 2011) -- **Prairie Dog Film + Television** is pleased to announce that **Blackstone** has received five nominations for the 2011 Leo Awards, which celebrate artistic excellence in British Columbia film and television.

"...Riveting, in-your-face and as smart as Canadian dramatic TV gets these days." --Playback

Intense, compelling and confrontational, *Blackstone* is an unmuted exploration of First Nations' power and politics, unfolding over nine episodes. Produced for APTN and SHOWCASE, this one-hour dramatic television series received the following Leo nominations:

- Best Dramatic Series - Blackstone - Damon Vignale, Ron E. Scott, Jesse Szymanski - Producers
- Best Screenwriting in a Dramatic Series - Damon Vignale
- Best Lead Performance by a Male in a Dramatic Series - Eric Schweig
- Best Lead Performance by a Female in a Dramatic Series - Michelle Thrush
- Best Lead Performance by a Female in a Dramatic Series - Carmen Moore

"We're very thankful, and would like to congratulate all the nominees and everyone who worked on *Blackstone*," says Executive Producer, Ron E. Scott.

14 NOMINATIONS SO FAR!

The Leo Awards will be handed out Saturday June 11th in Vancouver. *Blackstone* is also up for nine awards at the 37th Annual Rosie Awards, which celebrate excellence and outstanding achievement in Alberta film, television and new media. The Rosies are handed out Saturday May 28th in Edmonton.

ABOUT PRAIRIE DOG FILM + TELEVISION

Founded in 1993 by Metis Executive Producer, Director and Writer Ron E. Scott, Prairie Dog Film + Television is an independent film and television production company with a proven track record in international television series, prime time television specials, feature films, and major live audience productions.

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AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWS:

- Ron E. Scott
- Damon Vignale
- Eric Schweig
- Michelle Thrush
- Carmen Moore

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