

2015 Taurus World Stunt Awards Nominations

BEST FIGHT

1. 300: Rise of an Empire

Themistokles fights his way through a battle with the Persian army. Swords, shields and spears are used in combat. All the fighting, horse work, hits and falls are real and have no CGI enhancements.

Nominees: Freddy Bouciegues, Lateef Crowder Dos Santos, Guillermo Grispo, Adam Hart, Jake Swallow

2. Bang Bang

Hero fights men who are chasing him across rooftops in a city. The fight travels from rooftop to rooftop and concludes in a café where the actor takes out men with more hand to hand combat and a plate. No CGI or wires were used for the fight and safety cables were used for some of the roof to roof jumps.

Nominees: Afzal Usman Khan, Ashraf Khan, Mansoor Ali Khan, Riyaz SHAIKH, RJ Wolfe

3. Captain America: The Winter Soldier

Black Widow takes on 3 bad guys inside a ship. This fight was practical and done without wires or CGI.

Nominees: Freddie Bouciegues, Heidi Moneymaker, Jim Palmer, James Young

4. Captain America: The Winter Soldier

Captain America fights the Winter Soldier on a city street. The fight features hand to hand combat, martial arts, knives, a shield and many hits to the ground and surrounding cars. CGI was used for face replacement where necessary and wires were used to enhance the power of kicks, punches and leaping over a parked car.

Nominees: Sam Hargrave, James Young

5. John Wick

John Wick defends his house from a squad of assassins. Fight features guns, knives, and hand to hand combat.

Nominees: Eric Brown, Daniel Hernandez, Pete Klein, Jackson Spidell, Justin Yu
WINNER

BEST HIGH WORK

1. 22 Jump Street

Two stunt men are hanging from a helicopter and are dropped 100' to the water below.

Nominees: Antal Kalik, Steve Schriver

WINNER

2. The Expendables 3

Sylvester Stallone is blown off a bridge. A combination of a ratchet and decelerator were used by the stunt double to perform this stunt.

Nominees: Radoslav Parvanov

3. Kick

Stunt man jumps out of a building using a fire hose. He did a 110' free fall and at 130' was brought to a stop using a decelerator. CGI was only used for the beginning jump through the glass, to allow for the actor to be in the shot as long as possible.

Nominees: Koini Stefan

4. Transformers: Age of Extinction

Two stunt men make their way down the side of a 22 story building in Hong Kong. Both stunt performers were rigged with an overhead French crane system and travelers during the chase scene. All of the chase was done on location and without the use of a stage.

Nominees: Martin De Boer, Dan Mast

BEST STUNT RIGGING

1. 22 Jump Street

Two stunt men are yanked off the top of a semi container as it travels below a low beam. Stunt was a combination of live action on location and green screen work. Each stunt man had 2 ratchets; one for his vertical lift and one for his lateral movement.

Nominees: Richard L. Blackwell, Richard Burden, Jay Caputo, Chris Palermo, Jim Stephan

2. Captain America: The Winter Soldier

The Winter Soldier takes on Captain America, Black Widow and Sam Wilson on a freeway. Rigging team assisted with pulling someone from a car, tossing the Winter Soldier from the top of a moving car, leaping back onto the car roof, making a car to Hummer transfer, and having 3 stunt people escape on a passenger car door.

Nominees: Richard Epper, Mark Ginther, Brian Machleit, Dave Schultz, Aaron Walters

WINNER

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Nominees: Sascha Girndt, Tina Lack, Anna Anastasia Tkatchenko, Marcel Vietzke, Lars Wolters

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Nominees: Luis Raul Alcocer, Don L. Lee, Dave Macomber, Alex Schuenaur, Kyle Woods

5. X-Men: Days of Future Past

Quicksilver uses hyperspeed to run on the walls and move objects in a room. Computer winches, rigs, ratchets and hand pulls were used to create the stunt. CGI was used to remove the rig and add some kitchen utensils.

Nominees: Nick Brandon, James M. Churchman, Trevor Habberstad, Paul Leonard, Stefan Lofgren

BEST WORK WITH A VEHICLE

1. The Amazing Spiderman 2

A commercial tow truck tows an armored car through the streets of New York while being chased by police cars. The chase causes multiple crashes with police cars, taxis and non-descript cars. All crashes are real, with the exception of the taxi that nearly misses Spiderman and Jamie Foxx.

Nominees: Keith Adams, Tyler Barnett, Jennifer Jo Caputo, Gary Davis, Dennis Fitzgerald

2. Bang Bang

Motorcycle is being chased by a BMW on a bridge. Motorcycle hits a ramp and does a flip while the BMW simultaneously hits a different ramp and goes spinning. CGI is used to add a passenger on the motorcycle and replace the head of the motorcycle rider during the flip.

Nominees: Johnny Rawlings, Paul Smith

3. Captain America: The Winter Soldier

Police cars chase a black SUV through city streets. Chase features multiple crashes, driving through blocked traffic, a moving truck t-boning 2 unmanned police cars, and ends with the SUV doing a rear cannon.

Nominees: Jack Gill, Steve Kelso, Henry Kingi SR., Jalil Jay Lynch, Mike Ryan

4. Need for Speed

Multiple luxury cars race through a forest and along the coastline in a high speed chase. Chase features a crash between a SUV police car and a Saleen; a police car swerving and crashing into a tow truck; a police car t-boning a Bugatti; a Lamborghini doing a pit maneuver to spin a McLaren onto the shoulder of the road, making the car cannon and flip onto and off the bank of a hillside while tumbling back onto the road; and a Lamborghini flipping and crashing onto the roadside.

Nominees: Brent Fletcher, Tim Gilbert, Troy Gilbert, John C. Meier, Mike Smith

WINNER

5. Nightcrawler

High speed chase at night with a black SUV, police car, and red Dodge Ram Charger. Chase features high speed driving through traffic, the police car being t-boned, and a collision between a police car, the SUV and a parked car.

Nominees: Lance Gilbert, Chad Guerrero, Tom Harper, Logan Barrett Holladay, Samuel Hubientte

BEST SPECIALTY STUNT

1. Bang Bang

Stunt man water skis barefoot behind a Grumman Albatross sea plane. This stunt was done entirely practical and CGI was only used for face replacement.

Nominees: Keith St. Onge

2. Dumb & Dumber To

Stunt man is fully engulfed in flames inside a 2nd story motel room. While on fire he opens the door, dives over the balcony, and jumps into the pool.

Nominees: Rene Mousseux

3. Fury

Stunt man is ignited in a full fire burn inside a tank. While still on fire, he climbs out of the tank, hitting the back of the tank, and falls to the ground. The stunt man then simulated shooting himself in the head.

Nominees: Sean Button

WINNER

4. Need for Speed

A fixed wing aircraft flies over a highway and touches down between cars.

Nominees: Craig Hosking, Henry M. Kingi Jr.

5. Pompeii

Two stunt women dressed in togas do full body burns while running through a crowd. No CGI was used to enhance the fire.

Nominees: Naomi Frenette, Helena Laliberte

BEST OVERALL STUNT BY A STUNT WOMAN

1. Bang Bang

Two BMWs collide on a highway, sending one into a violent, rolling crash. CGI was used to remove the pipe ramp on the vehicle that crashes.

Nominees: Jennifer Jo Caputo

2. Need for Speed

A stunt woman drives a Mustang in a high speed chase. Chase goes along windy dirt roads on the side of a cliff, through a crash involving a Hummer, and into the desert. CGI

was used to remove cameras and cables.

Nominees: Lea Croteau

3. Pompeii

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Nominees: Naomi Frenette, Helena Laliberte

4. The Sacrament

Stunt woman does a full body burn and staggers around a room. No CGI to enhance the fire.

Nominees: Jess Harbeck

5. X-Men: Days of Future Past

Raven fights a group of generals and soldiers in a conference room. She then jumps out a window. Stunt woman did all of the fight and jump, with the exception of close up shots of the actress. CGI was used to remove wires.

Nominees: Renae Moneymaker

WINNER

HARDEST HIT

1. 22 Jump Street

Two stunt men are hanging from a helicopter and are dropped 100' to the water below.

Nominees: Antal Kalik, Steve Schriver

2. 300: Rise of an Empire

Actor lifts a stunt man and throws him back first into a ledge. This was done practical and no CGI was used in the stunt.

Nominees: Sam Looc

3. Captain America: The Winter Soldier

SUV hits a parked car that in turn hits a police officer and sends him through the glass of a bus shelter. No ratchet was used on the stunt man. The energy of the car sends the stunt man through the safety glass.

Nominees: Justin Sundquist

WINNER

4. Hercules

Standing at the top of 8 stairs, a stunt man is yanked and falls down the stairs to the ground. The costume is a loincloth and did not allow for pads.

Nominees: Tanoai Reed

5. X-Men: Days of Future Past

Two guards get hit by a gate and flung into a concrete wall. CGI was used to remove wires.

Nominees: Miguel Dugal, Jean-Francois Lachapelle

BEST STUNT COORDINATION AND/OR 2ND UNIT DIRECTION

- 1. The Amazing Spiderman 2**
Andy Armstrong, James Armstrong
- 2. Captain America: The Winter Soldier**
Andrew Gill, Tom Harper, Casey O'Neill, Spiro Razatos
WINNER
- 3. John Wick**
Chris O'Hara, Darrin Prescott
- 4. Need for Speed**
Lance Gilbert
- 5. X-Men: Days of Future Past**
James M. Churchman, Jeff Habberstad, Mike Scherer, Brian Smrz

BEST ACTION IN A FOREIGN FILM

- 1. Alarm fur Cobra 11 – Die dunkle Seite (Germany)**
Christoph Domanski
WINNER
- 2. Pi Zi Ying Xiong 2 (China)**
Jack Gill, Ron Yuan
- 3. Torrente 5 (Spain)**
Federico Cueva
- 4. Urban Games (China)**
Jon Epstein, Xiang Gao, Peng Zhang