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Scientology: A Stellar Year of Publishing and Audiovisual Accomplishments

2013 was a year of outstanding achievements for the international dissemination branch of the Scientology religion and the publishers of the religious works of Scientology Founder L. Ron Hubbard.

Over the past year, Golden Era Productions, the international dissemination branch of the Scientology religion, and Bridge Publications Inc., publishers of the religious works of L. Ron Hubbard, earned 238 technical and artistic achievement awards for the quality of their printed and audiovisual work.

These accolades acknowledged a broad range of disciplines and products, from the binding, die cutting and packaging of books and other printed materials, to website design, cinematography, special effects and animation.

Seven of the awards recognized the quality of Church websites, 107 its audiovisual properties, and 124 its books and other printed materials.

Prizes included a Platinum AVA Award in the category Video Production/ Religious, for a book-on-film of *Scientology: the Fundamentals of Thought* by Scientology Founder L. Ron Hubbard. The 90-minute film presents the basic principles of the Scientology religion, combining the power of the written word with the latest advances in cutting-edge computer graphics. The AVA Awards are administered and judged by the Association of Marketing and Communication Professionals (AMPC).

The Age of Fear documentary earned a Platinum Hermes Creative Award. Filmed in Germany and Austria, the feature-length film draws from more than 80 interviews of psychiatric experts, historians and survivors of psychiatric human rights violations.

The Scientology *Knowledge* ad, which aired during Super Bowl XLVII, earned a Davey Best of Show Award in the category of Not for Profit Commercials.

Once again this year, Bridge Publications won the prestigious Manufacturing Leadership 100 Award, earning it one of the company's first President Circle Awards, a status created in 2013 by the president of Manufacturing Leadership available only to those who have won the Manufacturing Leadership 100 Award for three consecutive years.

Additional honors included the 2013 Sappi North American Printers of the Year Award, three Gold Ink Awards, two *BIA* (Binding Industries of America) Product of Excellence Awards, five Aurora Awards, three Accolade Competition Awards and four Communicator Awards.

Bridge also earned four Benny Awards this year. Started in 1952, the Benny, named after Benjamin Franklin, is the world's oldest and largest international graphic arts competition. It is administered by the Printing Industries Association. Thousands of entrants vie for the prestigious Benny with winners exemplifying the highest standards in industry quality.

"I attribute this accomplishment to the application of L. Ron Hubbard's organizational policies on administration," said a spokesperson from Bridge Publications. "Our staff, from executive level to operators, has read and meticulously applies Mr. Hubbard's organizational policies in our plant. Because of this, the qualities of our products routinely surpass industry standards."

“We have a very dedicated team that produces these products,” said a spokesperson from Golden Era Productions. “Each member strives to raise the bar on technique and creativity, and that is what these awards represent.”

Bridge Publications manufactures and distributes all Dianetics and Scientology books for the Americas, Asia, Oceania and Africa and all lectures and audiovisual properties internationally.

Golden Era Productions is the international dissemination branch of the Scientology religion.

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