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Bart honoured at RAAM awards



Recognising his services to film production and the media, Peter Bart, VP and Editor in Chief of film trade paper Variety, is to be honoured with the 2008 RAAM International Award at a gala awards dinner in London Feb. 8.

The award is part of a host of honours decided by the 11 members RAAM Advisory board including: Andrew Cripps — Paramount Pictures International; Robert Mitchell — The Walt Disney Company Ltd; Trevor Green — Entertainment Films; Tim Richards — Vue; Neil Marshall — Warner Bros; Steve Perrin — Rentrak; Trish Long — The Walt Disney Company Ltd Ireland; Clare Binns — City Screen; David Hancock — Screen Digest; Rob Arthur and Tony Meehan — RAAM Management.

"The award to Peter Bart is in recognition of his long and distinguished career in film production, as an author, and his editorial achievements on The Wall Street Journal, New York Times and Variety," said Tony Meehan, Chairman of RAAM.

Bart's tenure as Vice President for production at Paramount saw his involvement in such films as "The Godfather"; "Paper Moon", "Harold and Maude", "True Grit" and "Rosemary's Baby".

"It has been my great pleasure to interact with the film industry as both an executive and as an editor, all of which has given me both deep respect and empathy for its practitioners," said Bart. "I would like to think I have learned from both sectors of experience, but readily acknowledge that the executive part was far more taxing."

The RAAM Awards are presented annually to recognise and reward achievement in the UK and Irish cinema exhibition and distribution in the following categories;

- Movie of the Year (UK & Ireland)
- Cinema of the Year – Ireland
- Cinema of the Year – UK
- Independent Movie of the Year
- Foreign Language Movie of the Year
- Cinema Circuit of the Year
- Distributor of the Year
- Film / Cinema Marketing Campaign of the Year
- Cinema Advertisement of the Year
- Independent Cinema of the Year – Ireland *
- Independent Cinema of the Year – UK *
- Best New Cinema – Ireland *
- Best New Cinema – UK *

*In addition to the main awards, 8 Awards of Excellence will be presented in these categories.

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