

6th Annual Nollywood & African Film Critics' Awards: Reatha Grey Wins Best Actress

"All Eyez on Me" Patrick Faucette and "Walking Dead" Jacqueline Fleming presented the award to Reatha Grey for Her Role in "Betrothed" at the Ceremony

LOS ANGELES, CA, UNITED STATES, November 23, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Veteran Actress <u>Reatha Grey</u>, on November 19, 2016, received her first Nollywood & African Film Critics' Awards, internationally known as the <u>NAFCA</u> or African Oscars, nomination and win for her role as Angela Simmons in the Nevada-based Red Cardinal feature film, "<u>Betrothed</u>," which went into Saturday night with two nominations, including one for best actor in an independent film.

"The 6th Annual NAFCA, held for the first time at the Alex Theater in Glendale, California, is designed to globally promote African Cinema and culture," said Tina Weisinger, co-executive producer. "The NAFCA, are U.S. awards for achievements in the film industry and The NAFCA Honors are awarded to recognize outstanding individuals whose professional careers have been marked by extraordinary personal and professional accomplishments." Dr. Victor O. Olatoye is the founder and coexecutive producer of NAFCA. Actors Claudia Jordan and Michael Adegoke hosted the awards show.



Reatha Grey Wins Best Actress in an Independent Film - Betrothed

"All Eyez on Me" Patrick Faucette and "Walking Dead" Jacqueline Fleming presented the Best Actress in an Independent Film Award to Grey. During her speech, Grey paid tribute to the

Betrothed cast and crew. "I am thankful to have the opportunity to perform in a fun project with horror film veteran Bill Oberst, Jr., Omar Gooding, and leading actress Mikayla Gibson," said Grey. She wore an original dress made in Sierra Leone on the <u>red carpet</u>. "Honorary Consul Isatu Timbo presented me with the lovely dress for this special occasion," said Grey.

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You are never too old or you're never too late to do anything. Follow your dreams. *Reatha Grey - 2016 NAFCA Winner* "A special thanks to Marie Lemelle for all she does –as casting director, film PR, and producer!" She also thanked Executive Producer Gregory Munsell of Red Cardinal Films, her Agent Michael Zanuck, Manager Karen Armstrong, Betrothed Director Jim Lane, and co-star and NAFCA best actor nominee Trae Ireland.

In a recent interview on The Real G Show, Grey talks about the early start of her career, longevity in the entertainment business, working with icon actress Betty White, and the award-winning independent thriller "Betrothed." The film won two awards from the 2016 FANtastic Horror Film Festival held in San Diego, California. <u>www.fhffsd.org</u>

Betrothed is about a simple errand that turns into a nightmare when Audra, a college student, is kidnapped by an insane, dysfunctional family, and betrothed to one of the brothers. Grey plays Angela, an overworked social worker. The movie is available on Amazon.com.

Acknowledging the honor of being nominated in the same category as wellknown, talented actresses, Grey beat fellow NAFCA nominees Vivica A. Fox (Chocolate City); Jackee' Harry (Man in 3B); Paula Jai Parker (Assistant Motives); Emayatzy Corinealdi (Miles Ahead); and Brely Evans (Man in 3B).

Grey dedicated the award to the over 50, still-in-the-game group of actresses who have the chops to entertain and engage audience of all ages. "You are never too old or you're never too late to do anything," she says. "Follow your dreams."

Grey can be seen on Showtime's "Shameless" on December 4 and "A Husband for Christmas" starring Vivica A. Fox on ION TV premiering December 11. Check your local listing.

For more information about Betrothed or an interview with Grey, contact Platinum Star PR at 213-276-7827 or info@platinumstarpr.com. www.platinumstarpr.com.

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Nollywood & African Film Critic's Award Logo



The NAFCA Trophy

The awards include: The NAFCA Film Awards -32 categories, The NAFCA Honors -10 categories and Nollywood & African People's Choice Awards -32 categories of competition in the film, humanities,

business, sports and music. More than 500 million fans of the African cinema and entertainment follow the highly anticipated show. For a list of the winners, <u>http://africannafca.com/</u>

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Betrothed Movie



Scene from Betrothed with Reatha Grey as Angela Simmons with Mikayla Gibson as Audra

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