



## **ANIMAL LOGIC ENTERTAINMENT LAUNCH AUSTRALIAN BASED SCREENPLAY COMPETITION**

*Sydney, Australia, 26 August 2020 – Animal Logic Entertainment (ALE), the producing team behind ‘Peter Rabbit’, are excited to launch a new competition to recognise Australian writers in the family entertainment space.*

The **Animal Logic Entertainment Screenplay Competition** is open to Australian writers with a feature script in the family animated and family hybrid (live action/animation) space. The Competition offers a prize package of \$5,000AUD for the winning entry as well as professional guidance and feedback from Producer Zareh Nalbandian, EVP Development and Production, Jonathan Hludzinski and VP Development & Production, Felicity Staunton.

“We have always been committed to leveraging our profile to support and promote Australian talent,” says Nalbandian. “Over the past several years we have had the privilege of working with some of the best writers in the industry to develop entertaining and engaging stories for audiences around the world, and through this program we look forward to opening our doors to Australian writers with a compelling story to tell.”

“We are experiencing an incredible time for animation and it has never been more important to uncover new voices in family entertainment”, added Hludzinski and Staunton. “We are looking for talented writers who understand tone and audience, have an original or unexpected perspective, and a lot of heart. We want to hear from Australian writers from all backgrounds and are excited to be able to support projects that we believe can succeed in both the Australian and international markets.”

The competition is open to writers of all levels who are current Australian citizens or permanent residents. Entries are open from 1 September until 15 November 2020 via Film Freeway, with the winner to be announced 1 February 2021. The winning entry will receive \$5,000AUD as well as professional feedback and guidance from the development teams in LA and Sydney. Two runner-up finalists will each receive \$1,000AUD and professional feedback.

To find out more about the Competition visit [filmfreeway.com/ALEScreenplayCompetition](http://filmfreeway.com/ALEScreenplayCompetition).

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### ***ANIMAL LOGIC ENTERTAINMENT***

*Located in Sydney and Los Angeles, ALE collaborates with iconic filmmakers and major studio partners to develop elevated family entertainment with universal appeal, stamped with the visual and technical innovation that is the hallmark of Animal Logic Studio’s work.*