

Pink Panther strikes again!

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RGH Entertainment (a division of Rubicon Group Holding) has earned the top prize in the TV Episode category at the Los Angeles Animation Festival (LAFF) for A Very Pink Christmas, a half-hour Christmas special starring Pink Panther, which aired on ABC Family in December 2011.

Festival director John Andrews stated: "RGH Entertainment brought back one of the most beloved animated characters of all time with writing and production values that equal the classic animation of Blake Edwards' iconic films. We applaud the team at RGH Entertainment for keeping the wonderful Pink Panther franchise alive with such a high-quality production."

RGH CEO Randa Ayoubi said: "We are thrilled with LAFF's praise of our global team for their creative work on A Very Pink Christmas and especially gratified to be recognised for delivering a production that matches the caliber of the original Pink Panther films," said Ayoubi.

A Very Pink Christmas features Pink Panther pitted against his arch nemesis, Big Nose, as they operate adjacent Christmas tree lots and try to outsell each other in order to generate enough profit to afford a big, greedy Christmas prize.

Produced in its entirety at RGH's wholly owned production facilities in Los Angeles, Manila, and Amman (Jordan), A Very Pink Christmas was executive produced by RGH CEO Randa Ayoubi and Humanitas Prize-winning and Emmy-nominated writer/producer David Corbett (Pink Panther & Pals, Flash Gordon, The Legend of Prince Valiant). MGM distributed the special worldwide.

The LAFF Award joins a growing list of honors bestowed on RGH in the past two years. Pink Panther & Pals garnered an impressive four 2011 Kidscreen Awards including Best Animated Series in the Preschool Category and Best Preschool Programme in the Viewers' Choice Category. In the Creative Talent Category, the series won Best Directing and Best Music.