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HFPA doles out \$1.25 mil grants

Beatty, Dancy, Longoria, Wood accept on behalf

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The Hollywood Foreign Press Assn. handed out nearly \$1.25 million in grants to 29 film-related orgs at its annual installation luncheon Tuesday at the BevHills Hotel.

The installation luncheon also seats the HFPA's new officers.

The nonprofit HFPA, which has distributed more than \$10.5 million over the past 15 years, nets roughly \$6 million annually from the Golden Globes.

Thesps attending to accept grants on behalf of the orgs included Warren Beatty, Hugh Dancy, Eva Longoria and Evan Rachel Wood.

Beatty, who picked up the check for the Film Foundation, warned the aud, "I've never used a Teleprompter, so I've written something here to keep myself from saying the things that I'm thinking."

In his speech he said, "We all know that film is a fragile medium. So I want to personally thank the HFPA for its role in film preservation."

Other institutions that received grants included Cal Arts, UCLA, Cal State Northridge, Outfest, Los Angeles Conservancy, Film Independent and the National Assn. of Latino Independent Producers.

Prexy Philip Berk and thesp Rose McGowan were on hand to announce the grants.

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