



## **ANIMAL LOGIC ENTERTAINMENT ANNOUNCES SCREENPLAY COMPETITION WINNER AND RUNNERS-UP**

**Sydney, Australia, 4 February 2021** – Animal Logic Entertainment (ALE) is pleased to announce the winner and two runner-up finalists of their inaugural Screenplay Competition.

From over a hundred entries across Australia, it was the imaginative storytelling of Teigan Isobel and her screenplay BUGGGED that took the top prize. Set in the mechanical world of the Metallic City where organic life stands little chance of survival, a 12-year-old nature obsessed Emma inadvertently unleashes a swarm of rust mites that threaten to devour her world.

“It’s an absolute privilege to win this amazing competition,” said Western Australia based screenwriter Teigan Isobel. “I am very passionate about family entertainment, so to be recognised by Animal Logic Entertainment is a huge honour.”

Teigan will receive a prize package of \$5,000AUD as well as professional guidance and feedback from Producer Zareh Nalbandian, EVP Development & Production, Jonathan Hludzinski, and VP Development & Production, Felicity Staunton.

The two runner-up finalists, Sam O’Sullivan (NSW) with CHARLIE PILGRIM and Cathy Randall (NSW) and co-writer Abhi Jeyakkumar (ACT) with SANTA WHITEBEARD will both receive \$1,000AUD and professional feedback.

“In our first year of the ALE Screenplay Competition, it was incredibly satisfying to uncover so many fresh voices in the family space,” said Nalbandian. “I hope this competition will encourage the immense talent that exists within Australia to continue to tell their stories.”

“Teigan is to be congratulated for not only her command of story, but for creating an energetic and unique animated world that is both thematically rich and wholly entertaining,” said Staunton. “The beating heart of her storytelling is seen in the strength and perseverance of her female lead – an imaginative and powerful young woman who has never been more timely.”

The Animal Logic Entertainment Screenplay Competition was launched in August 2020 to unearth new Australian voices in the family animated and family hybrid (live action/animation) space.

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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.*