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# Omni Film Productions Roars Into Spring With 6 Leo Award Wins

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Vancouver, B.C. - Omni Film Productions Limited watched spring come in like a lion at the 2006 Leo Awards on Saturday, May 13, taking home a total of six Leo Awards. The Leos were for:

- Best Youth or Children's Program or Series – *Make Some Noise* – Heather Hawthorn-Doyle, Lauren Millar, Brian Hamilton, Michael Chechik – Producers
- Best Direction in a Youth or Children's Program or Series – Catharine Parke – *Make Some Noise* episode 'Suicide Walkers'
- Best Documentary Program or Series History/Biography/Social/Political – *Slammin' Iron: Rebuilding the World* – Gabriela Schonbach, Brian Hamilton, Leigh Badgley – Producers
- Best Documentary Program or Series Nature/Environment/Adventure/Science/Technology – *Running on a Dream: The Legacy of Terry Fox* – Leigh Badgley, Bette Thompson, Brian Hamilton, Michael Chechik – Producers
- Best Direction in a Documentary Program or Series – Jerry Thompson – *Slammin' Iron: Rebuilding the World*
- Best Screenwriting in a Documentary Program or Series – Jerry Thompson – *Slammin' Iron: Rebuilding the World*

“We are honoured to have won awards for three different shows at this year’s Leo Awards,” said President Michael Chechik. “At Omni, we have a passionate commitment to creating great television and to have our shows acknowledged with six Leo Awards is very rewarding. We have a fantastic team working with us and these awards reflect the talent, dedication and creativity that everyone at Omni has put into these shows.” He added: “We’re looking forward to continuing to create interesting and entertaining programming with our factual series, our dramas and with our new lifestyle division. Omni is a great place to be right now – and we are enjoying every moment of it.”

For 25 years, Omni Film Productions Limited ([www.omnifilm.com](http://www.omnifilm.com)) has produced over 175 hours of award-winning documentaries, factual and lifestyle series, drama and children's programming. Their diverse productions begin with a compelling story and are then produced with integrity and quality. The result is over 75 national and



international awards. Recently, Omni Film Productions launched their lifestyle division, headed by industry veteran Heather Hawthorn-Doyle. Together with sister companies Water Street Pictures and Water Street Releasing, Omni is a complete film and television production and distribution entity with a steadily growing catalogue of exceptional programming including their current productions: *Robson Arms 2*; *Stuntdawgs*; *Dragon Boys*; *Alice, I Think* and *Make Some Noise*.

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