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### *SAINTS ALIVE! Wins 2012 Gabriel® Award for Best Religious Television Program in National Release.*

WINSTED, May 3, 2012 – Arcadia Films announced today its television series *SAINTS ALIVE!* has won a 2012 Gabriel® Award in the Religious Television National Release category of the Catholic Academy for Communication Arts Professionals' competition. *SAINTS ALIVE!* is an 11-part, 28-minute television series that features 10 of the great saints of history who return from heaven to be interviewed and questioned on some of the most important issues of our time.

"Both Stephen and I are honored to receive the Gabriel® Award," said Arcadia Films Executive Producer and CEO Richard Payne. "Saints Alive is a living testimony to the fact that sainthood is NOT a negation of human life but rather its abundance by God's grace."

*SAINTS ALIVE!* was filmed at the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Waterbury, CT as a co-production with EWTN Global Catholic Network. The program aired in September 2011 on EWTN. The Catholic Academy for Communication Arts Professionals will present the Gabriel® Award at the Catholic Media Convention in Indianapolis in June 2012.

Richard and Stephen Payne, co-directors of *SAINTS ALIVE!* are veterans of the Catholic television industry. Doug Keck, Peter Gagnon and John Elson of EWTN are executive producers, Richard Payne and Stephen Payne are producers, Jim Morlino is Associate Producer and Ahmet Sesigurgil is the director of photography for the series. The cast includes: Janice Bishop (St. Avila), Ross Degraw (St. Bellarmine), Stephen Diacrussi (St. Gregory), Michael Engberg (St. Aquinas), Mark Epperson (St. Augustine), Michelle Kafel (St. Siena), Ruth Kavanagh (St. Galgani), Jim Mornino (Fr. McGivney), Richard Payne (Host/Interviewer), Thierry Paulmier (St. Montfort), Taylor Valentine (St. Vianney), and Raymond Volpe (St. Irenaeus).

*Arcadia Films is a world-renowned Catholic production company that creates cutting-edge digital content across multiple platforms, having produced more than 120 films over the past 20 years. SAINTS ALIVE! is Arcadia's latest TV series for EWTN Global Catholic Network. For more information visit: <http://arcadiafilms.com> or <http://saintsalive.tv>.*

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