

The Emmy Award-winning



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**NTN BEGINS 25TH SEASON OF MAKING MOVIES, TV, AND EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAMMING ACCESSIBLE FOR THE BLIND**

Tulsa, Oklahoma – January 5, 2012 – It was announced today that the Emmy Award-winning Narrative Television Network is preparing to launch its 25th season of making movies, television, and educational programming accessible for our nation's 13 million blind and visually impaired people and their families.

Founded in 1988, NTN released its first accessible programs that fall and is currently working on broadcast, cable, DVD, and Internet streaming programming that will be available in late 2012 which will comprise NTN's 25th year serving its special audience.

Founder and President Jim Stovall said, "This milestone is a tribute to the dedicated professionals who make our programming possible, along with our broadcast and cable network partners and cooperation and funding from the U.S. Department of Education."

The Narrative Television Network has received many industry honors including the Emmy Award, the Media Access Award from the broadcast television industry, and the Golden Georgi Award which is the top scriptwriting honor from the Writers Foundation of America.

Eileen Akers from Norwich, Connecticut, said, "NTN makes it possible for me to watch television. Even when I did have a bit of vision, I was never much of a TV viewer and, after losing my sight completely, I became even less interested. I never really thought too much about my lack of interest until I sampled your programming."

NTN most recently has made first-run movies accessible by including a description option on the menu of DVDs for movies such as *The Ultimate Gift* from Fox and *The Lamp* from Warner Brothers. More major motion pictures and network television shows are slated for release in their accessible format from NTN during the coming year.

"We help people hear what they can't see," said Jim Stovall. "It's wonderful to have a successful business and even better when you can help special people who have real needs for accessibility; but when you can do both at the same time, it's the best of both worlds."

Samples of NTN programming, along with listings of accessible movies, television, and educational programming are available at NarrativeTV.com.

"Serving the blind and visually impaired since 1988"