



**“A MISER BROTHERS’ CHRISTMAS” CAPTURES  
A COVETED ANNIE AWARD NOMINATION**

**“A MISER BROTHERS’ CHRISTMAS,” PRODUCED BY WARNER BROS. ANIMATION  
IN ASSOCIATION WITH CUPPA COFFEE STUDIOS, IS PRESENTED BY WARNER  
BROS. ANIMATION AND ABC FAMILY**

**THE ALL NEW ANIMATED SPECIAL PREMIERES ON  
ABC FAMILY ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 (8:00 - 9:00 PM ET/PT)**

**Burbank, CA (December 3, 2008)** – ABC Family’s first-ever original animated special, “A Miser Brothers’ Christmas,” received a nomination for the prestigious Annie Award in the category of Best Animated Television Production Produced for Children. ABC Family proudly presents the all-new original special, **“A Miser Brothers’ Christmas,”** premiering **Saturday, December 13 (8:00 – 9:00 PM ET/PT)** -- based upon the characters Heat Miser and Snow Miser originally appearing in the Rankin-Bass Christmas classic, “The Year Without a Santa Claus” -- as part of its “25 Days of Christmas.”

In the special, Mickey Rooney returns as the voice of Santa Claus and George S. Irving returns as Heat Miser in a tale of how Santa throws out his back and is unable to deliver gifts for Christmas, threatening to ruin Christmas for children all around the world. This time, it’s up to the battling brothers Heat Miser and Snow Miser to come together and help save Christmas!

“A Miser Brothers’ Christmas” was produced by Warner Bros. Animation in association with Cuppa Coffee Studios and is presented by Warner Bros. Animation and ABC Family. Executive producers are Adam Shaheen, Howard Schwartz and Linda M. Steiner, with a script written by Eddie Guzelian (“Lilo & Stitch 2: Stitch Has a Glitch”), and directed by Dave Barton Thomas.

The Annie Awards honor overall excellence as well as individual achievement in a total of 24 categories, ranging from production design, character animation and effects animation to storyboarding, writing, music and voice acting. Winners will be announced at the 36th Annual Annie Awards ceremony on Friday, January 30, 2009, at UCLA’s Royce Hall, in Los Angeles, CA. For a complete listing of Annie Award nominations and event information, go to <http://www.annieawards.org>.

Warner Bros. Animation (WBA) has been producing award-winning original animation since 1930, when it released its first cartoon, “Sinkin’ in the Bathtub.” Since then, WBA’s characters have set the standard for innovative, quality animation. Producing for network and cable television, online, home entertainment and feature films both domestically and internationally, WBA is highly respected for its creative and technical excellence, as well as maintaining the studio’s rich cartoon heritage. WBA also oversees the creative use of, and production of animated programming based on classic animated characters from the Hanna-Barbera and DC Comics libraries. WBA is one of the most honored animation studios in history, garnering a grand total of six Academy Awards®, 35 Emmy® Awards, the George Foster Peabody Award, an Environmental Media Award, a Parents’ Choice Award, a Humanitas Award, two Prism Awards and 20 Annie Awards.

Part of the Disney-ABC Television Group, ABC Family, distributed in over 95 million homes, features original movies, series and specials reflecting today's families and entertaining and connecting with adults through relevant stories about today's relationships, all told with diversity, dysfunction, passion, humor and heart. ABC Family's programming is a mix of quality acquired series and theatricals as well as original movies and scripted dramas. ABC Family is also the destination for Holiday events with "13 Nights of Halloween" and "25 Days of Christmas" branded programming events. ABC Family. A New Kind of Family.

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