



**SHAFTESBURY HONOURED WITH 11 CANADIAN SCREEN AWARDS  
NOMINATIONS INCLUDING BEST ACTOR FOR  
*MURDOCH MYSTERIES*' STAR YANNICK BISSON  
AND BEST DRAMA SERIES FOR *FRANKIE DRAKE MYSTERIES***

**TORONTO, February 7, 2019** – Leading producer [Shaftesbury](#) has received 11 nominations for the 2019 Canadian Screen Awards, as announced earlier today by the Academy of Canadian Cinema & Television, with nods for [Murdoch Mysteries](#), and [Frankie Drake Mysteries](#).

“We are so thrilled about this year’s Canadian Screen Award nominations for *Murdoch Mysteries* and *Frankie Drake Mysteries*. With nominations across series, performance and craft categories, we are pleased that the Academy has recognized the incredible talents of those in front of and behind Canada’s top-rated drama series. It is a great honour to work with all of these individuals and we look forward to celebrating with our colleagues at the awards,” said **Christina Jennings, Chairman & CEO, Shaftesbury**.

***MURDOCH MYSTERIES* – 6 nominations**

**Best Lead Actor, Drama Series**

Yannick Bisson

**Best Writing, Drama Series**

Mary Pedersen - “The Accident”

**Best Direction, Drama Program or Limited Series**

Gary Harvey - “Murdoch Mysteries Holiday Special - Home for the Holidays”

**Best Original Music, Fiction**

Rob Carli - “Shadows are Falling”

**Best Sound, Fiction**

Nancy Bird, Jonas Kuhnermann, Mark Beck, Richard Calistan, John Dykstra, Alfie Di Pucchio, Steve Hammond, Eric Fitz - “F.L.A.S.H.!”

**Best Achievement in Hair**

Shirley Bond - “8 Footsteps”

**About *MURDOCH MYSTERIES***

One of Canada’s most successful and longest-running dramas, *Murdoch Mysteries* (12 seasons; 186 x one-hour episodes; 3 x two-hour specials) has become a staple for CBC and broadcasters around the world with its winning formula that brings together compelling mysteries, unique slices of turn-of-the-century history, ingenious inventions and personal moments for each character. The series is licensed to broadcasters in 120 countries and territories including the U.S., U.K., France, Finland and China. Starring **Yannick Bisson, H  l  ne Joy, Jonny Harris, and Thomas Craig**.

***FRANKIE DRAKE MYSTERIES* – 5 nominations**

**Best Drama Series**

Christina Jennings, Scott Garvie, Cal Coons, Carol Hay, Michelle Ricci, Greg Phillips, Sarolo McGregor, Jonathan Hackett

**Best Supporting Actress, Drama**

Sharron Matthews

**Best Direction, Drama Series**

Peter Stebbings - "Ghosts"

**Best Costume Design**

Debra Hanson

**Best Production Design or Art Direction, Fiction**

Armando Sgrignuoli, Andrew Kawczynski - "Healing Hands"

**About FRANKIE DRAKE MYSTERIES**

Set in 1920s Toronto, *Frankie Drake Mysteries* follows the city's only female private detectives as they take on the cases the police don't want to touch. In a time of change and hopefulness, their gender is their biggest advantage as they defy expectations and rebel against convention. Their cases take them through every cross-section of Toronto, meeting people of all backgrounds and means, as well as historical characters, along the way. Frankie and Trudy's fearless sense of adventure gets them into all kinds of trouble, but they always manage to find a way out. They are new detectives for a new world –but is the world ready for them? Starring **Lauren Lee Smith, Chantel Riley, Rebecca Liddiard, Sharron Matthews, and Wendy Crewson.**

**Murdoch Mysteries Series Social Channels:**

Facebook: [facebook.com/MurdochOnCBC](https://facebook.com/MurdochOnCBC)

Twitter: @CBCMurdoch

Instagram: CBCMurdoch

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**Frankie Drake Mysteries Series Social Channels:**

Facebook: [facebook.com/FrankieDrakeonCBC](https://facebook.com/FrankieDrakeonCBC)

Twitter: @CBCFrankieDrake

Instagram: CFCFrankieDrake

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**About SHAFTESBURY**

**Shaftesbury** is an award-winning creator and producer of original content for television, film, digital, and brands. Shaftesbury's current slate includes 12 seasons of *Murdoch Mysteries* for CBC, UKTV, and ITV STUDIOS Global Entertainment, two seasons of detective drama *Frankie Drake Mysteries* for CBC, UKTV, and Kew Media, three seasons of critically acclaimed thriller series *Slasher* for Netflix, as well as new primetime series *Rex* for CityTV/Rogers Media, and *Departure* for Global/Corus Entertainment. Shaftesbury's digital arm produces original digital, convergent, and branded entertainment projects including the global phenomenon and MIPTV Brand Content of the Year award winner *Carmilla*. Shaftesbury's branded entertainment division drives profitable engagement with millennials using scripted series, turning brands into executive producers. Recent brand partners include Walmart, Interac, U by Kotex®, and RBC.

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