

## 2010 WIFTA Mentorship Program

We are pleased to announce the 2010 WIFTA mentorship program. The goal of the program is to provide members with access to a seasoned professional in their career field or area of interest. It is a four month commitment, during which the mentor will meet with the member once a month for the first three months; the fourth meeting will be an onsite visit at the mentor's place of work or on a project (if applicable). Any additional meetings can be decided upon between the mentor and mentee. For 2010, our goal is to have between six and eight mentorship pairings.

Those seeking mentors must be current WIFTA members; the mentors do not need to be WIFTA members, nor do they need to be women. Applying does not guarantee acceptance into the program.

In order to get the most out of a mentorship, the impetus of the information sought needs to come from the mentee. The responsibility is on the mentee to prepare in advance by researching the field of interest and creating a list of specific questions to ask the mentor. The mentor will make her/himself available to provide feedback on specific topics but is not expected nor required to direct the research or career direction of the mentee. During the four month program, the mentor will also be accessible to the mentee via email (the mentee should use good judgment in not imposing too much on the mentor's time in this manner).

The goal of the mentorship program is to make a contact in the industry and to get advice and guidance from an established professional in the mentee's field of interest. It offers mentees the opportunity to ask questions, gain insights, assess their goals and learn important information about their field. However, mentors are not expected to provide job or internship opportunities to the mentees, nor teach specific skills.

A contract signed by mentee and mentor assures they will commit to meeting when scheduled, or notify the other party with 24 hours notice if canceling. If proprietary information is to be shared (scripts, musical compositions, treatments, etc), a non-disclosure agreement must be signed by both parties.

The program is competitive and is reserved for serious applicants only.

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## WIFTA Mentorship Application

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- You must be a **current member of WIFTA in good standing** to apply for the program.
  - A **resume** must be submitted along with this application.
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### Contact Information:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Bus. ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Background:

*Please answer the following questions.*

1. How long have you been a member of WIFTA?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Why do you want to participate in the WIFTA mentorship program?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What are your goals for the mentorship? Be as specific as possible.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Excluding this opportunity, what other activities are you involved in/ steps have you taken to assist you in achieving the professional goal you describe in question #3?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Where would you like to be professionally in the next year? Next five years?

**Mentorship Preferences:**

1. In which field are you seeking a mentor?  
*(You may list up to three areas; please be specific when listing certain professions such as producing.)*

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2. WIFTA mentors may be female or male. If you have a strong preference about the gender of your mentor, please let us know.

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3. Please provide any additional information that you consider relevant.

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**References:**

Please list two professional references (film/TV industry are references preferred):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ph: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please submit this application along with your resume to [vpprofdev@wifta.org](mailto:vpprofdev@wifta.org)  
by July 16, 2010.