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Vancouver feature film
'LAWRENCE & HOLLOMAN'
The feel-bad comedy of the year...
WINS
BEST FEATURE FILM
at the **2014**
CANADIAN COMEDY AWARDS
Sept 14, 2014 in Ottawa
<http://www.canadiancomedy.ca/awardwinners.php>

watch the film on
Super Channel
starting Thurs Sept 18, 2014 (5pm &
10:30pm)
until Oct 27 (various times)
<http://www.superchannel.ca/movies/view/55385944/Lawrence-and-Holloman>

Directed by **Matthew Kowalchuk**
Written by **Daniel Arnold & Matthew Kowalchuk**
Starring **Ben Cotton, Daniel Arnold,**
Katharine Isabelle & Amy Matysio
Produced by **Paul Armstrong,**
Daniel Arnold & Matthew Kowalchuk
Co-Produced by **Robyn Wiener**

Associate Produced by **Don Thompson**
Executive Produced by
Mary Anne Waterhouse & Andrew Currie
Based on the play by **Morris Panych**

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Catch some of the filmmakers including Matthew Kowalchuk at the **Celluloid Social Club** Wed Sept 17 where they will screen the trailer and have a Q&A

<https://www.facebook.com/events/507220159412441>

"I come from improv and sketch, that's my background. I honestly can't think of a higher compliment than to be given an award for being funny. And so, what an absolute thrill to be included among the many Canadian legends who have won a Canadian Comedy Award." **Matthew Kowalchuk**

"I am hugely proud and humbled that our film won this award, which to me feels like an amazing Canadian cap to an amazing Canadian response, starting with all the festival awards, moving on to Canadian theatres, and about to play on Canadian TV on Super Channel. I'm now proud we can take the film internationally, with this fine Canadian feather (or should I say Beaver) in our cap. Huge thanks to the jurors of the Canadian Comedy Awards and all who voted, and to Morris Panych for the amazing source material. This Beaver is for him." **Daniel Arnold**

Having swept North America with "must-see" reviews and 12 awards in 16 festivals and a successful theatrical run in Vancouver, Edmonton and Toronto, this darkly twisted buddy comedy – winner of the 2014 Canadian Comedy Award for Best Feature -- is now making its television premiere on Super Channel starting Sept 18 (5:30pm & 10pm PST) until Oct 27 (various times).

synopsis:

Lawrence is an ever-optimistic suit salesman for whom everything always goes right. That is until he meets Holloman, a cynical and suicidal credit collector, and everything starts to go wrong. Very wrong. Is happiness determined by our outlook on life? Or can our destiny be changed ... by another.

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Awards

Best Feature Film – Canadian Comedy Awards
Best Feature Comedy - RxSM
Best Canadian Feature - EIFF
Rising Star: Filmmaker - EIFF
Rising Star: Actor (Ben Cotton) - EIFF
Best Emerging Director - VIFF
Best Director of a Comedy - VTXIFF
Best Actor in a Comedy (Daniel Arnold) - VTXIFF
Best Canadian Film - BNFF
Best Comedic Acting (Ben Cotton) - BNFF
Excellence Award - Rincon, Puerto Rico
Best Casting - Leo Award

8 more Leo Award nominations (BC Film Awards):

Best Picture, Best Director, Best Screenplay
Best Lead Actor (Daniel Arnold), Best Lead Actor (Ben Cotton), Best Supporting Actress (Katharine Isabelle)
Best Editing, Best Sound Editing

Cast & Creatives

This debut feature from director Matthew Kowalchuk is based on the highly successful stage play by two-time Governor General's Award winner Morris Panych. Adapted for the screen by Daniel Arnold & Matthew Kowalchuk, the script received story editing from Kyle Hunter & Ariel Shaffir (Seth Rogen's co-writer/producers on 50/50, This is the End), and story consultation from Daniel Petrie Jr (Academy Award nominated writer of Beverly Hills Cop and The Big Easy).

The film stars four-time Leo Award-nominated BEN COTTON (Battlestar Galactica, Stargate, The Killing) who for this role has won Rising Star Actor (EIFF) and Best Comedic Acting (BNFF); Gemini and Leo Award-winning KATHARINE ISABELLE (American Mary, Ginger Snaps) who was also nominated for a Leo Award for this role; 7-time [Canadian Comedy Awards](#) nominee AMY MATYSIO (Single White Spenny, inSAYSHABLE); and introduces the internationally acclaimed theatre actor DANIEL ARNOLD in his debut starring role in a feature film, for which he has been nominated for "Best Actor" (Leo Awards) and won "Best Actor in a Comedy" (VTXIFF).

Executive Producers Mary Anne Waterhouse & Andrew Currie of Quadrant Motion Pictures have produced numerous features including Donovan's Echo starring Danny Glover, The Thaw starring Val Kilmer, and FIDO starring Carrie Ann Moss, while producer Paul Armstrong of Ameland Films, Crazy8s Film Society and the Celluloid Social Club has produced the multi award-winning features See Grace Fly, Ill Fated, and Moving Malcolm starring Elizabeth Berkley, and co-producer Robyn Wiener has co-produced or line produced numerous films including Black Fly, Amazon Falls, The Wingman, and American Mary. Don Thompson of Finale Editworks is the Associate Producer.

Distributor John Bain of Search Engine Films is the former Senior VP of Distribution at Lions Gate Films and Maple Pictures, and has overseen the Canadian release of movies

such as Drive, Our Idiot Brother, Winter's Bone, Hurt Locker, The Men Who Stare at Goats, Hunger, and Beautiful.

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