



Seven congratulates Beat Bugs

The Seven Network today acknowledged the continuing success of Josh Wakely and his team on Beat Bugs which has scored a coveted Emmy Award in the United States.

Beat Bugs - seen globally on Netflix and backed as an original investor and partner by Seven Network Australia – has scored significant recognition with an Emmy Award for outstanding writing, coupled with five nominations in this year's Daytime Emmy Awards in the United States.

Seven Network partnered with Wakely's company, Grace: A Storytelling Company, as the original investor and broadcast partner for Beat Bugs which features some of the most well-known Beatles songs woven into the narrative of each episode, with Eddie Vedder, P!nk, James Bay, Sia, Robbie Williams, The Shins, Of Monsters and Men, Chris Cornell, Regina Spektor, Tori Kelly, Aloe Black, Frances, James Corden, Jennifer Hudson, Chris Cornell, and Rod Stewart each recording their rendition of an iconic song. Among the 52 11-minute episodes, songs featured include Help!, Lucy In the Sky with Diamonds, Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band, and Magical Mystery Tour.

"I am humbled by this honour that the Academy has awarded Beat Bugs. We created this show in order to introduce The Beatles music to a new generation and bring its love-filled, timeless lessons to life on screen. None of this would have been possible without the belief of Seven, who curated and cared for the program from the very beginning. And of course, our extremely talented group of craftspeople, musicians, technicians and artists," said Josh Wakely, Creator of Beat Bugs.

Commenting, Therese Hegarty, Seven's Director, Content Distribution & Rights, said: "This is a fantastic recognition for Josh and his team on Beat Bugs. We loved the concept and Josh's passion for it from the get-go. We are so proud to be a part of the continuing success and global recognition for Beat Bugs."

Grace: A Storytelling Company (Grace), Thunderbird Beyond Screen Production and Seven Network Australia joined together to bring to life Beat Bugs from creator Josh Wakely, who directs, writes and produces the series. The series is marketed worldwide by Beyond Distribution. Beat Bugs incorporates compositions from the Northern Songs catalogue administered by Sony/ATV Music Publishing. The series tells uplifting and life-affirming stories filled with hope and melody. World-leading artists, animators and writers have come together to work on this extraordinary show.