

January 25th, 2018



Dear Class of 1988,

On behalf of Choate Rosemary Hall and the Choate Rosemary Hall Alumni Association, I am pleased to inform you that your classmate Geoffrey Fletcher has been named the recipient of the 2018 Alumni Award.

This award recognizes his extraordinary talent as the screenwriter of *Precious: Based on the Novel "Push" by Sapphire* and subsequent recipient of the 2010 Oscar for Best Adapted Screenplay from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Science. In addition to being honored by the Academy, he has been heralded by *Variety* as one of its "10 Screenwriters to Watch."

Geoffrey's feature directorial debut *Violet & Daisy* received the Cinevation Award, given for imagination, inspiration and innovation in cinema from the Savannah College of Art and Design. *Violet & Daisy* was an official selection of the 2011 Toronto International Film Festival as well. Geoffrey is currently writing *I Am A Man* for Sycamore Pictures about the 1968 Memphis sanitation workers strike, a watershed in the U.S. Civil Rights movement that culminated in the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

In short, his career serves as an inspiration to Choate students and alumni alike: an accomplished screenwriter, director and cinematographer who continues to share his knowledge with students at Columbia University and New York University's Tisch School of the Arts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Monica".

Monica St. James
Director of Alumni Relations