

The Gift

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INT. GEEK MEDIA EXPO CENTER / HALL H - DAY

Hundreds of people gathered in the Hall H center. Loud vocal tones can be heard.

CLARK WALTERS

(approaches microphone)

I would like to draw attention to the following individual without whom we would not have this great event. Please give a warm welcome to CRAIG STEVENS!

Craig moves forward onto the stage and reaches for a handshake with Clark.

CRAIG STEVENS

Thank you Clark for the kind introductions. Although to be honest, it was all of you who allowed for me to grow this organization over the past few years into what it is today.

CLARK WALTERS

Today we will bestow upon you the GCRN Humanitarian Award for Best authoritative figure from a Media Organization.

Clark hands the award to Craig as he looks over the award.

CRAIG STEVENS

I appreciate the Award that you all have so kindly passed to me. I would like to say it's an honor. Although I receive this award it truly speaks to me that so many of you are touched by what I represent and how I display it.

He looks around and returns to his thoughts.

CRAIG STEVENS (cont'd)

I maybe a geek and television personality but I still feel strong about the subject matter of corporate transparency. I mention it from time to time in my show, but too many times our world is plagued by companies more full of themselves than with the well being of you or I. So today I am going to

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CRAIG STEVENS (cont'd)
 donate my time and money into
 exposing the corruptness of the
 Antares Corporation all the while
 giving you the great content we've
 been known for over the years.
 Thank you and I look forward to
 meeting you all soon after the
 ceremony!

CLARK WALTERS
 Thank you again to Craig for those
 inspiring words and drive! Give him
 another round of applause! Next up
 for the award of...

The sound of Clark was almost inaudible by the crowd as
 Craig leaves waving to the them as he goes outside to gather
 his thoughts.

EXT. GEEK MEDIA EXPO CENTER / BACKSTAGE BALCONY - DAY

A SHROUDED FIGURE moves in close to steal the Award from
 Craig. They begin to struggle before the Figure overpowers
 Craig and with FEROCITY impales him in the chest with the
 trophy THROWING his bleeding body over the balcony.

SHROUDED FIGURE
 (dialing phone)
 It's done PROFESSOR GLACIER. He
 won't be bothering us anymore.

PROFESSOR GLACIER
 (V.O.)
 Excellent LADY STONEHEART. Return
 to the hideout for further
 instructions.

LADY STONEHEART
 As you wish Professor.

EXT. GEEK MEDIA EXPO CENTER / TRASH RECEPTORS - DAY

We see the bleeding out form of Craig Stevens on the ground
 besides a dumpster, losing consciousness, breathing his
 last breath.