



Dadasaheb Phalke Award

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Recently, the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting has announced the **Dadasaheb Phalke Award for 2019** will be presented to Amitabh Bachchan.

- It is the country's **highest film honour** conferred for **“Outstanding contribution for the growth and development of Indian cinema”**.
- **Dadasaheb Phalke Award** was introduced by the government in **1969** and it was awarded for the first time to **Devika Rani**, “the first lady of Indian cinema”.

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- Dadasaheb Phalke directed **India's first feature film Raja Harischandra (1913)**.
- He was an Indian producer, director, and screenwriter.
- He is known as **“Father of Indian Cinema”**.
- The government of India instituted Dadasaheb Phalke Award in his honour for a lifetime contribution to Indian cinema.

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