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## ABC *Winged Sandals* website wins New York Festivals Interactive Gold World Medal award

Winged Sandals – [www.wingedsandals.com](http://www.wingedsandals.com) – has won the top prize of the Gold World Medal in the Education category of the prestigious New York Festivals 2004 Interactive Awards announced in New York yesterday.

This is the fifth major award for Winged Sandals, the innovative, interactive website that brings Greek mythology to young audiences and is produced by ABC New Media and Digital Services in association with the Centre for Classics and Archaeology at the University of Melbourne.

In February, Winged Sandals was awarded the top Australian new media accolade of Best of the Best at the AIMIA Awards, in addition to the AIMIA award for Best e-learning or Reference. These wins were followed by prizes at the SXSW Media Festival and Flash Forward Festival Awards in the USA for the unique animations on the site.

Since its launch in November 2003, Winged Sandals has continued to draw strong audiences with its modern interpretations of Classical Greek myths and characters.

The audience is guided around the site by an animated version of the Greek god Hermes, who navigates through various features including:

- Animated stories, including 'Perseus and Medusa', 'Orpheus and the Underworld' and 'How Apollo got his Oracle'
- A Who's Who of gods, heroes and monsters from Classical mythology
- An interactive Delphic Oracle allowing the audience to ask questions about the future
- A detailed history section looking at life in ancient Greece
- Games and creative activities for primary and secondary aged children.

Visit the site now at: [www.wingedsandals.com](http://www.wingedsandals.com)

More information on the New York Festivals can be found at: [www.newyorkfestivals.com](http://www.newyorkfestivals.com)

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