



Saban Films Game for TIFF Action Thriller GUNS AKIMBO Starring Daniel Radcliffe

Description



LOS ANGELES (November 9, 2019) – Saban Films announced

today that they have acquired North American rights to writer/director Jason Lei Howden's (*Deathgasm*) **Guns Akimbo** following its World Premiere at the Toronto International Film Festival. The darkly comedic action sci-fi thriller stars Daniel Radcliffe (the *Harry Potter* franchise, *Swiss Army Man*, *Now You See Me 2*), Samara Weaving (*Ready or Not*, *Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri*), Rhys Darby (–Flight of the Conchords–, *Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle*), Natasha Liu Bordizzo (*Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon: Sword of Destiny*, –The Society–) and Ned Dennehy (–Good Omens–, –Peaky Blinders–). Occupant Entertainment's Joe Neurauder and Felipe Marino and Four Knights Film's Tom Hern produced.

Guns Akimbo watches a nerdy video game developer (Radcliffe) become the next contestant in an illegal live-streamed death match, in this hilariously dark, viciously violent, and chillingly prescient sci-fi thriller.

With gaming on the rise, *Guns Akimbo* is a timely film that will keep audiences on the



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edge of their seats," commented Saban Films' Bill Bromiley. "Daniel is in a role you've never seen him in before. He and Samara shine throughout this thought-provoking take on the gaming industry's future."

Altitude Film Sales is handling international rights for the film, with Endeavor representing U.S. rights. Bill Bromiley and Jonathan Saba negotiated the deal for Saban Films along with Altitude on behalf of the filmmakers.

Saban Films continues to grow its presence in the industry, remaining active in the acquisition, production and distribution space. The company's successes have run the gamut from critically acclaimed theatrical films such as *The Homesman* starring Hilary Swank, to two of the biggest Fathom events with horror icon and heavy metal mastermind Rob Zombie's *31* in 2016 and *3 From Hell* earlier this month, as well as Kevin Smith's highly-anticipated *Jay and Silent Bob Reboot*, the sequel to the 2001 comedy *Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back* which the company partnered on after coming onboard at script stage. Its upcoming slate includes: Steven C. Miller's *Line of Duty*; Will Forbes's *John Henry* starring Terry Crews and Ludacris and executive produced by Matthew Antoun; Darren Lynn Bousman's *Death of Me* starring Maggie Q and Luke Hemsworth; and Nicol Paone's *Friendsgiving* starring Malin Akerman, Kat Dennings, Chelsea Peretti, Christine Taylor, Golden Globe Award® winner Jane Seymour, Aisha Tyler, Deon Cole, Wanda Sykes, Margaret Cho and Fortune Feimster.

About Saban Films

Saban Films, an affiliate of Saban Capital Group (â??SCGâ?•), is a film acquisition and distribution company which acquires high-quality, feature films to distribute in North America. Focusing on commercial, talent driven films, the company looks at projects in all stages of production for release across multiple platforms, including a day and date theatrical/VOD release strategy. Based in Los Angeles, Saban Films was established by Haim Saban, SCG Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and is led by Bill Bromiley who serves as President, Shanan Becker, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer and Ness Saban, Vice President of Business Development.



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