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Guest Artist with Melissa Gilbert and Tim Busfield

Description

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Industry veterans Melissa Gilbert and Tim Busfield premiered their first feature film, *Guest Artis*t, starring Jeff Daniels, under the newly formed Grand River Production Company, this weekend at the 2019 Santa Barbara International Film Festival presented by UGG. Daniels also adapted *Guest Artist* from an acclaimed play he authored with the same title.

I had the privilege to sit down with Busfield and Gilbert in between screenings. Here is an excerpt from our talk.

Guest Artist is a drama about a a legendary but troubled playwright (Jeff Daniels) who has come to a small Michigan town to mount his latest play. While there he meets a precocious young man who idolizes Danielâ??s character. What unfolds during their meeting is sheer brilliance. *Guest Artist* is entered into the Independent Competition sponsored by Panavision and is screening tonight at the Metro 2 at 8:20 PM and tomorrow at the Fiesta 4 at 5:40 PM. I got a peak at it and the writing is fantastic and I really liked the concept and theme. After our interview, I came up with a title for a forthcoming play: *Patience of a Saint*. And, stay tuned for forthcoming SBIFF film reviews.

Until next time, Iâ??ll see you at the movies!

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