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‘Darcy’ Starring Gus Birney and Johnathan Tchaikovsky Heads to Arizona as Official Selection at Inaugural Just Be Love Project Film Festival

Debut Feature Film From Co-Directors Heidi Elizabeth Philipsen-Meissner and Jon Russell Cring

Screening Held July 15 Followed by Q&A with Filmmaker

NEW YORK (July xx, 2017) – Personae Entertainment’s first feature film, the coming-of-age drama DARCY has made Official Selection at the Just Be Love Project Film Festival slated July 15, 2017 in Tempe, Arizona. The film is one of three feature films selected for the inaugural festival, which focuses on trafficking, sexual violence and human connection. A special Q&A will be held on July 16th with Producer/Co-Director/Actress Heidi Philipsen of Personae Entertainment.

DARCY is the feature film debut by co-directors by Heidi Elizabeth Philipsen-Meissner and Jon Russell Cring, which brought together Executive producers Niko Meissner, Stephanie Dillon (“Stay, Then Go”), Kathryn McDermott (“Spiderman”); and Director of Photography Tracy Nicole Cring (“The Night We Met”).

The film presents the first feature film debut for Gus Birney, of Spike TV series "The Mist" as the leading role in DARCY. The 17-year-old newcomer is the daughter of veteran New York actors Reed Birney (“House of Cards”) and Constance Shulman (“Orange Is the New Black”).

Featuring the tag-line “A girl’s awakening in the sunlight of harsh reality,” DARCY is a coming-of-age tale about an innocent teenage girl living with her parents in a seedy motel on the edge town who then meets a stranger who changes her world.

The ensemble cast includes Johnathan Tchaikovsky (“Keep The Change”) and Paulina Singer (“The Intern”) who co-starred with James Franco in Lifetime’s “High School Lover.” Other cast members are David Thornton (“The Notebook”) who is known for his acting work as well as for being the husband to Pop legend Cyndi Lauper, as well as Bernadette Quigley (“Mr. Robot”).

“We are excited to share this film with a strong film and ensemble cast at the Just Be Love Project Film Festival,” Philipsen-Meissner. “We have an amazing group of people who put their heart and soul into this film and the end result is nothing short of breathtaking and compelling for those who love powerful cinema and multifaceted characters.”

DARCY also features original music from Gus Birney as well composers Brian Gallio, Connor Noetzel and Shane Noetzel.
Film critics and members of the press are invited to screen the film, **DARCY** located in Sun Studios of Arizona. Members of the press are also invited to the Q&A panel discussion with Philipsen, please contact MSophia PR for further information.

The official website for **DARCY** is at [www.DarcyMovie.com](http://www.DarcyMovie.com).

**Darcy – Synopsis:**

Darcy is an idealistic fifteen-year-old, living on the edge of town in her family’s motel where the justice system dumps its trash. The prostitutes, the addicts, the malcontents inside each room have their own stories and secrets and her fate is interwoven with theirs. When an alluring stranger enters her world, Darcy finds herself with a choice to make: Remain in the world she knows, or move forward into an unknown future.

**DARCY** is a Personae Entertainment production: Co-Directors: Heidi Elizabeth Philipsen-Meissner and Jon Russell Cring; Written by: Jon Russel Cring and Tracy Nicole Cring; Executive Producers: Stephanie Dillon, Niko Meissner, Kathryn Mc Dermott; Associate Producer/Co-Writer/Director of Photography Tracy Nicole Cring; Associate Producer/Casting Director Caroline Sinclair; Associate Producers: Michael H. Back, Heidi Eklund; Producer: Heidi Elizabeth Philipsen-Meissner; Composer: The Afternoon Edition; Storyboard Artist Robert Castillo.

Cast: Gus Birney, Johnathan Tchaikovsky, Paulina Singer, Bernadette Quigley, David Thornton, Jon David Casey, Heidi Philipsen, Lawton Denis, Joe McKenna, Denny Dale Bess, Ray Faiola, Cameron Mitchell Williams, Nando Del Castillo and Wayne Pyle.

Run Time: 91 min; Genre: Drama; Rating TBD; Year 2017; Language: English; Country of Origin: United States; Format: Red 4k Sound Dolby

**ABOUT PERSONAE ENTERTAINMENT**

Personae Entertainment is a development-to-production company that takes scripts to film production via producing both creatively and financially, working closely with sales, marketing and distribution companies to keep in touch with the desired film and its audience along the way.

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