



Actor/Comedian Michael Joiner lands "best actor" nom for LA's 168 Film Fest

Since his breakout role in SONY Pictures "The Grace Card", Joiner has been in high demand, especially within the faith based film industry.

LOS ANGELES, CA, USA, July 25, 2013 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Actor/Comedian Michael Joiner has landed a "best actor" nomination for LA's highly acclaimed "168 Film Festival."

Joiner received the nomination for his dramatic portrayal of a widowed father trying to reconcile with his estranged daughter (played by October baby's Rachel Hendrix, also nominated for best actress). Other "best actor" nominees include Stephen Baldwin, of the famed Baldwin brother family of actors. Joiner's film, "Abound" was one of twenty-two finalists chosen from hundreds of entries world-wide. "Abound" is also up for several other awards.

This year's Grand Prize includes a feature film budget up to \$1 Million from presenting sponsor EchoLight Studios.

The 168 Film festival will be held August 8 - 10, at the Performing Arts Center in Glendale, CA. (www.168film.com)

Joiner, who has a very large following as a Comedian in both secular and Christian circles, has starred or co-starred in no less than a dozen major film projects since moving his family back home to Kansas City, MO from Hollywood in 2008.

After starring in "The Grace Card", where Joiner's highly intense portrayal of a racist Memphis cop received rave reviews from the likes of "The Hollywood Reporter" and "Variety, Joiner says "The offers just started pouring in."

"Michael has gained a reputation for taking on edgier, more complex characters" says his manager Michelle Lea, from Serious Comedy agency, "He is definitely a method actor who likes to fully research and prepare for each role."

Some of his more "edgier" performances can be seen in over eight upcoming films, including "Broken Faith" (www.brokenfaithfilm.com), "Rumors of wars" (www.rumorsofwarsmovie.com) and the upcoming Ray Liotta/Seth Green drama, "The Identical", set to hit theaters this October.

"Not bad for not having an agent." Joiner says.

"Most of these roles I had to negotiate myself, or I had my comedy agent do it." He says. "But I'm a firm believer that at the right time the perfect agent will come to me."

With so many wanting Joiner for their movies, perhaps that time is now.

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