

Breakout Canadian Actor Lands Role in 'Words and Pictures' with Clive Owen & Juliette Binoche

Vancouver native Josh Ssettuba tabbed for coveted role in "Words and Pictures"

LOS ANGELES, USA, July 3, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Actor [Josh Ssettuba](#), one of Canada's brightest, burgeoning film and television talents, is starring as Cole Patterson in the feature romantic comedy drama, "Words and Pictures," with Clive Owen ("Children of Men") and Juliette Binoche ("The English Patient").

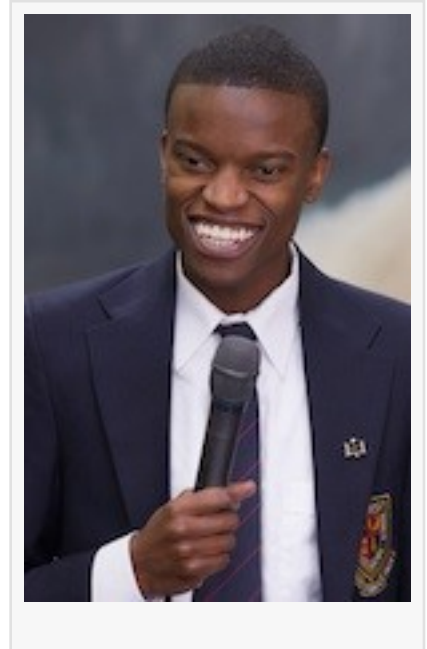
Now playing in select theaters nationwide, "Words and Pictures" follows the story of an art instructor (Binoche) and an English teacher (Owen) who become rivals during a school-wide competition where students must decide what's more important – words or pictures.

"It's a film about finding what you need in others and being able to sacrifice to work together to give each other what you need," said Ssettuba. "Clive and Juliette's characters are very prolific in what they do, but are missing pieces in their lives."

The film is directed by two-time Golden Globe nominee Fred Schepisi ("A Cry in the Dark," "Roxanne"), produced by Latitude Productions' Curtis Burch and Lascaux Films and written by Gerald Di Pego ("Phenomenon," "Instinct").

When the "Words and Pictures" production moved to Vancouver, Ssettuba made the most of his audition. "They did a search all across America for the character I did and they couldn't find anyone," he said. "I tested for the part. They brought me in with the director and producer and I was cast. It was a challenge to play a character that was very technologically advanced, yet he is part of a little love triangle in the film. It was an odd balance doing scenes that were very technical and scenes that were very emotional."

Ssettuba's featured role pits him in many scenes with Owen, an Academy Award ("Closer") and Primetime Emmy ("Hemingway & Gellhorn") nominee renown for his leading roles in "Sin City," "Inside Man," "The International" and others.



"Josh Ssettuba played one of the students in my classroom and was one of my favorite actors," Owen said. "He exhibited intelligence, charm and quick thinking throughout filming, and on a number of occasions, his presence and spontaneity gave me a run for my money!"

Ssettuba said, "Cole is a catalyst in the film. I believe he's the glue that brings together the students and teachers into these battles with each other. He gets the students fired up. He's a very intelligent character. He works off an iPad. Cole is usually one step ahead. He gets challenged by Clive Owen in a scene and then he replies by having already Googled the answer: 'It's simple what you're trying to teach us.'"

Ssettuba previously acted in Nathan Rogers' short comedy drama, "Cheyenne," with Toni Nielsen ("Bluff") and Siobhan Williams ("Flicka: Country Pride") and in Michael Grand's short comedy, "The Mechanic," with Viv Leacock ("This Means War," "I Spy"), David Lewis ("Man of Steel") and Christine Chatelain ("Final Destination").

On television, Ssettuba currently plays Connor in The CW's post-apocalyptic drama, "The 100." He's also acted in Cartoon Network's "Level Up" and "Tower Prep."

"Words and Pictures" premiered at the Toronto International Film Festival last fall. It was then acquired by Roadside Attractions for U.S. distribution and sold internationally in Italy, Russia, Singapore, Canada, Germany, Australia, Spain, Portugal and territories throughout the UAE.

For more information, visit www.wordsandpicturesthemovie.com and follow Josh Ssettuba on Twitter: www.twitter.com/joshsettuba

Josh Ssettuba is a film and television actor known for his roles in "The 100" and "Words and Pictures."

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