

South Korean Actor Jay Kim to Star in Several Upcoming Films

With starring roles in the films "The Dragon's Lair," "All in," "Time Jumpers," and "The Secret Sword," 2015 is certainly Jay Kim's year to shine!

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EINPresswire.com/ -- South Korean actor Jay Kim, known across the globe for his work in the films "Maestro," "Love Pentagram," "The Incision," "Writer's Block" and others, has been solidified as the actor who will take on starring roles in several exciting upcoming films.

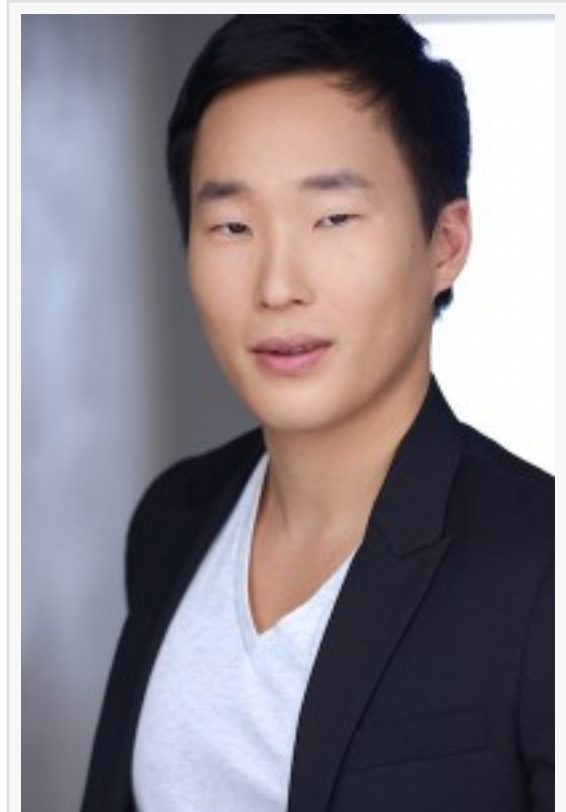
Proving the diversity of his craft across the board Kim will star as Lee in the dystopian film "The Dragon's Lair," Tom in "All In," Ji Seon in the historical sci-fi film "Time Jumpers," and Taebon in "The Secret Sword."

"The Dragon's Lair," the first of Kim's four upcoming productions, which began shooting earlier this year, is being produced by One Push Productions and directed by well-known Icelandic filmmaker Halldor Sigurgeirsson who is known for his past work on "The Curse of the House," "The Deep," "Shock Talk," "Lost Angels" and "Einangrun."

"It's an action/drama flick about power and betrayal," explains Kim about the film. "It takes place in the near future in a dictatorial world where a group of rebels try to survive and fight the tyrannical establishment."

A supremely talented actor who has gained international attention for his work due to his ability to play a wide range of roles, Kim admits that the role of Lee gave him yet another opportunity to further prove his diverse talents on screen.

When asked if he could compare any of his past roles to his character in "The Dragon's Lair," Kim says, "Fortunately no, which makes for a delightful experience since I get to play a totally new



Actor Jay Kim shot by Jonathan Vandiveer

character. I dislike playing similar or, god forbid, the same kind of characters over and over. I always seek out and want different kinds of roles, so I feel very fortunate to have had the opportunity to play Lee."

Beyond having already proven the skill of his craft, Kim served in the Korean Special Operations back home in South Korea, something that has provided him with immense experience to draw from when it comes to his role in "The Dragon's Lair."

"Jay Kim is an extraordinary actor capable of great versatility, particularly and noticeably in terms of contrast between exterior and interior giving him a broad range," explains director Halldor Sigurgeirsson.

"Among his most admirable skills is his unique ability to convey a sense of youthful innocence underneath a rugged militant/athletic exterior, making him an ideal fit for a wide variety of leading and supporting roles within genres such as action, thriller, comedy and teen movies."

Sigurgeirsson says, "[Jay Kim] also possesses a voice that prints very well to his peers and has a way of reaching people of other generations and various "old-timers" from several countries and cultures."

Kim's ability to portray characters across ages came in handy in the film "Time Jumpers," which is currently in post-production and follows the actor in the lead role of Ji Seon.

In this historical science fiction film directed by Gina Witte, a group of "time jumpers" are able to travel through time using a special device. The film follows Lee's character as he travels from 14th century Korea to present-day LA in search of his long lost love Nabi, played by actress Greena Park ("Once Upon a Time in Seoul," "Rules of Dating," "The Way Back").

Kim will also begin filming Gina Witte's "The Secret Sword" next month, where he will star alongside Greena Park again, this time in the lead role of Taebon. Set in the Korean island of Jeju during the mid 17th century, Kim's character, the son of the king, stages a coup d'etat after witnessing his father's callous and inhumane actions towards a group of shipwrecked Dutch sailors.

Kim is also currently shooting the film "All In" directed by Rex Zhao. A film noir layered with themes of risk, revenge and ego, Kim reveals a totally different side of his craft in the role of Tom.

An ego driven underground casino manager whose emotional decisions get him into trouble when he bets the farm, or the casino rather, Tom finds himself in a world of trouble when he comes up short in a high stakes bet against a card shark who's seeking retribution for his father's murder.

Like most carefully crafted careers, Jay Kim's incredible success as an actor didn't happen over night. The young artist has spent years fine-tuning his abilities on both the screen and the stage. In the theater Kim has starred in a wide range of high-profile productions internationally, including "Blood Wedding," "Woman in Mind," "Waiting for Lefty," "The Rose Tattoo" and others.

Today the young talent is a highly sought after actor in Hollywood and abroad. Having just wrapped production on the films "Purgatory" and "Time Jumpers," and with "The Dragon's Lair" and "All In" currently shooting in the U.S., and "The Secret Sword" set to begin filming in May, 2015 is undoubtedly Jay Kim's year to shine.

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