

# Actress Jessica Huras Stars as Kate Delany in the Upcoming Film 'Teeth'

*Canadian actress Jessica Huras plays the starring role of Kate Delany in the upcoming film "Teeth" directed by Adam Levett.*

LOS ANGELES, CA, USA, July 7, 2015 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Canadian actress Jessica Huras, who is known for her roles on the History channel series "Gangland Undercover" and Syfy's "Lost Girl," recently wrapped production on the film "Teeth," a psychological thriller set in New York City.

The film follows Huras in the starring role of Kate, a struggling actress who lives alone in a tiny apartment in the Lower East Side. Although Kate Delany is not a newcomer to the entertainment industry, the actress has difficulty dealing with the constant pressure to perform in an industry largely dominated by men.

"There is an other-worldly quality about Kate - we don't know exactly what she's channeling or battling, but it's more than your average person," admits Huras. "The entire story is built around this character and her struggle to remain in control when her mind and the world around her begin to alter."

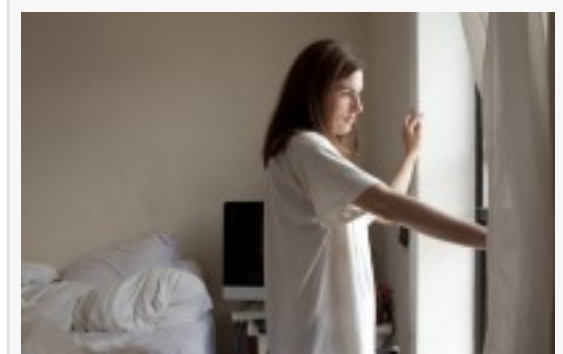
Feeling a lack of control over her own success, Kate, whose small space seems to grow smaller by the day breeding a feeling of claustrophobia that is only further compounded by the noise of the city, begins to question what is real and what is a product of her own imagination. Kate slowly becomes transfixed on her television's mysterious Channel One lobby camera, where she doesn't recognize the lobby or the man who keeps frequenting the scene.

About embodying the character Huras explains, "I could relate to her as an actress and yet there was something very heightened and different about Kate and her environment... I studied films like Lynch's 'Blue Velvet' and 'Enemy' by Denis Villeneuve and even the infamous elevator video of Elisa Lam's last moments before she was found dead in Hotel Cecil's rooftop water tank."

The film, which is currently in post-production and set to debut later this year, was directed by Adam Levett ("Subject," "Secret Knives"), and also stars Serge Kushnier ("Poker Night," "Calvin's Dream," "Hairspray"), Jeremy Kushnier ("Nurse Jackie," "The Good Wife," "The Adulterer") and Jenna Gavigan ("Gotham," "Blue Bloods," "House of Cards," "Boardwalk Empire").

Levett says, "Jessica was an invaluable part of 'Teeth.' She was the only person that embodies both the strength and vulnerability required for this complicated role. Through dedication and persistence she pushed herself to craft a performance that elevates the film to a different level."

Through her portrayal of characters like Leandra on the popular series "Being Erica" and Natalie on the series "Gangland Undercover," Huras has proven her flare for heavy hitting drama. While she



Still of Jessica Huras from the film "Teeth"

admits that taking on the Delany character broke new ground for her as an actress in comparison to past roles, the challenge and work that went into the character made the experience that much more exciting.

She explains, "Adam was very good in giving me very specific references for the tone and nuances of my character... We talked a lot about stories of paranormal possession versus psychological hallucinations. It was all quite fascinating and sometimes disturbing, but very new territory for me as an actress, so I found the entire process thrilling."

Anyone who is familiar with Huras' work know that with her as the star of "Teeth," it's safe to say that the film will do exceptionally well upon release.

In addition to "Teeth," Huras also wrapped production on the film "Anxietyville" earlier this year where she played the role of Justine. A surreal dark comedy set in a virtual environment "Anxietyville" is a feature film that begs audiences to consider the nature of reality and the consequences of consumerism.

The most recent film from director Rob Stefaniuk, who is best known for the films "Phil the Alien" and "Suck," "Anxietyville" had its world premiere at the Sarasota Film Festival earlier this year and will be playing on Air Canada this summer as well.

Over the course of her career Jessica Huras has proven that she is an actress with limitless range. Last year she played the starring role of Judy Jenkins in the film "10 Years," which won Best Ensemble Cast, Best Cinematography and the Audience Choice Award at The Toronto 48-hour Film Project. Some of her other projects include the films "Skinwalkers," "The Deadly Pledge," and "NYC: Tornado Terror."

Huras, who has had astonishing success in an impressive repertoire of theatre productions including "Reflections on Giving Birth to a Squid," "Trout Stanley," "The Commune," "Cowboy Mouth," "Fool for Love" and others, is also the founder of Heart in Hand theatre company.

Jessica Huras is currently represented by Toronto-based agency Patterson Talent Management (PTM). The actress is also slated to co-star in the film "Diving for Caterpillars" directed by Matt Eastman ("Whatever Linda"), which is set to begin shooting this fall in Toronto.

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