

New Documentary Following Baseball's Most Famous Fan, Legendary Ballhawk Zack Hample, Now Available In Japan

The film is subtitled for Japanese viewers and available for rental and purchase on digital platforms including Apple, Amazon, and Vimeo On Demand in Japan.

TOKYO, JAPAN, April 9, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Jeff Siegel Films is pleased to announce the worldwide release of the feature-length (95 minute) documentary "Zack Hample vs. The World", just in time for the 2022 season's opening day. The film is being distributed globally by 1091 Pictures, a Chicken Soup for the Soul Entertainment, Inc. (Nasdaq: CSSE) company. It is currently the top sports documentary on the [Apple TV/iTunes](#) digital storefront in the United States. The documentary is subtitled for Japanese viewers and available for rental and purchase on digital platforms including Apple, [Amazon](#), and Vimeo On Demand in Japan.

Zack Hample isn't a professional baseball player, but for decades he's been racking up stats as if he were. The legendary "ballhawk" has attended thousands of Major League Baseball games across every ballpark in the country on his journey to snag 10,000 baseballs from the stands. Along the way he's found himself at the center of some of the game's biggest moments and controversies – including Mike Trout's first home run and Alex Rodriguez's 3,000th hit – and has undeniably become baseball's most celebrated and infamous fan. The film takes an intimate look into Zack's



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Zack Hample At The Tokyo Dome In 2012

While Zack has been frequently covered in the media over the years, this documentary tells the complete and untold story of who Zack really is outside of the ballpark and why he has devoted so much time and energy to becoming such a global phenomenon.

[YouTube video chronicling his visit to the Tokyo Dome](#) has over 4.2 million views.



At a time when baseball is poised to return from its first lockout since 1995, the documentary is a love letter to America's pastime, a celebration of fandom, and a poignant reminder that there's nothing quite like being at the ballpark.

The film – a passion project, 14 years in the making – was produced and directed by Jeff Siegel, an Emmy award-winning filmmaker and graduate of NYU's Tisch School of the Arts, who has created projects for Major League Baseball, ESPN Films' "30 For 30" series, and Billy Joel. He produced the Netflix Original Documentary Series *This Is A Robbery: The World's Biggest Art Heist* (2021) which was named by *Variety* as one of "the best documentary series of 2021."

The documentary features interviews with three-time MLB All-Star closer Heath Bell, Tyler Kepner of The New York Times, Jared Diamond of The Wall Street Journal, Maria Marino of SportsNet New York, sports psychologist Dr. Jonathan Fader, sports business reporter Darren Rovell, MLB broadcaster Matt Vasgersian, “Marlins Man” Laurence Leavy, and Zack’s mom Naomi Hample.

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