

# FREESTYLE DIGITAL MEDIA RELEASES ROMANTIC COMEDY "SURPRISE!"

Romantic Comedy Debuts on North American VOD Platforms and DVD on August 13, 2024

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, UNITED STATES, August 13, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Freestyle Digital Media, the digital film distribution division of Byron Allen's Allen Media Group, has just

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Making SURPRISE! was filled with many surprises, including engagements of four couples who worked on the movie! Every scene is imbued with love, zeal, and excitement and we know people will love it." *Filmmaker Nate Hapke*  released the romantic comedy SURPRISE!, which is now available to rent/own on all North American digital HD internet, cable, and satellite platforms, as well as on DVD, starting on August 13, 2024.

SURPRISE! tells the story of a surprise birthday party, which is really a surprise engagement, that gets repeatedly derailed because of, not despite, the best intentions of all the guests. Ethan throws a surprise birthday party for his girlfriend Jane, with plans to propose before the night ends, but despite all his careful planning, things quickly go awry. In SURPRISE!, sibling rivalries cause conflict, exes

show up uninvited, and Grandma even stops by to take back the family ring – but will Ethan ever make it down onto one knee? Luckily, Ethan and Jane's friends are as compassionate as they are chaotic, and they help the couple to find their way to a happy ending.

Directed by Nate Hapke from a screenplay by Rosie Grace & Nate Hapke, SURPRISE! was produced by Rosie Grace, Nate Hapke & Julia Armine. The ensemble cast features Melanie Thompson ('Jane'), Bryce Harrow ('Ethan'), Marisa Hood ('Cait'), Rob Harrow ('Mack'), Charlie Carr ('Ashley'), Lee Shorten ('Walt'), Aaron Sanders ('Clark'), Jamie Miller ('Ashleigh'), Gwen Hillier ('Norah'), CB Mullen ('Graham'), Niya Wright ('Willa'), Javier Prusky ('Steve'), Nate Hapke ('Ted'), Justin Sorvillo ('Roger'), Jack Thomas Williams ('Derek'), and Paulina Bugembe as ('Briana').

"The SURPRISE! team was full of so many talented people in front of and behind the camera who shared a mutual desire to not only collaborate but to make something great together," said filmmaker Nate Hapke. "The making of SURPRISE! was filled with so many surprises including, but not limited to, the engagements of four couples who worked on the movie! Every scene is imbued with love, zeal, and excitement and we know people will love this movie. We are so thankful to have Freestyle Digital Media releasing SURPRISE! in North America, after starting our relationship with them with the distribution of our debut feature film TWO DASH ONE ONE in 2022."

Freestyle Digital Media negotiated the deal to acquire SURPRISE! directly with the filmmakers and Glen Reynolds of Circus Road Films.

#### SURPRISE! trailer:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vm0A6Ktkwrw

SURPRISE! website: www.natehapke.com/surprise

### About Freestyle Digital Media

The digital distribution unit of Byron Allen's Allen Media Group, Freestyle Digital Media, is a premiere multiplatform distributor with direct partnerships across all major cable, satellite, digital and streaming platforms. Capitalizing on a robust infrastructure, proven track record, and a veteran sales team, Freestyle Digital Media is a true home for independent films. Recent releases include THE ROAD DOG starring comedian Doug Stanhope, SURVIVE starring HBO's GAME OF THRONES star Sophie Turner and Corey Hawkins, the music documentary profiling blues guitar legends Jimmie Vaughan and Stevie Ray Vaughan, BROTHERS IN BLUES, DEAR ZOE starring Sadie Sink from the hit Netflix series STRANGER THINGS, Jessica Capshaw and Theo Rossi.



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Other Freestyle Digital Media titles include BEST SUMMER EVER the teen musical featuring a fully integrated cast and crew of people with and without disabilities, produced by Jamie Lee Curtis, Maggie Gyllenhaal, Mary Steenburgen and Ted Danson, THE WEDDING YEAR starring Sarah Hyland and Anna Camp, THE LAST PHOTOGRAPH starring Danny Houston, UNTOGETHER starring Jamie Dornan, Jemima Kirke, Ben Mendelsohn, Alice Eve and Billy Crystal, the action-comedy BETTER START RUNNING starring Academy Award-winner Jeremy Irons and Maria Bello, THE BACHELORS starring Academy Award-winner J.K. Simmons, Julie Delpy and Odeya Rush and the award-winning documentary HONDROS produced by Jamie Lee Curtis and Jake Gyllenhaal.

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