

Paramount Pictures and Indian Paintbrush Acquire Worldwide Rights Out of Sundance for 'LIKE CRAZY'

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Paramount Pictures and Indian Paintbrush announced today the worldwide acquisition of LIKE CRAZY for Paramount Pictures to release in 2011. The Super Crispy Entertainment production from co-writer and director Drake Doremus ("Douchebag"), producers Jonathan Schwartz ("The Way Back," "Douchebag," "Funny Games") and Andrea Sperling ("Kaboom," "Sympathy For Delicious") of Super Crispy Entertainment, and executive producers Audrey and Zygi Wilf had its world premiere at the Sundance Film Festival on Saturday.

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Starring Anton Yelchin ("Star Trek," and "Terminator Salvation"), Felicity Jones ("The Tempest") and Jennifer Lawrence ("Winters Bone"), LIKE CRAZY was written by Doremus and Ben York Jones ("Douchebag"). The story follows a British college student who falls for an American student, only to be separated from him when she's banned from the U.S. after overstaying her visa. Entertainment Weekly's Lisa Schwarzbaum said of the movie "Young love has rarely been so palpable or looked so real," while Kenneth Turan of the Los Angeles Times said "LIKE CRAZY" brings a compelling intimacy and heart-stopping delicacy to showing the push and pull of love, longing and regret."

Adam Goodman, President of Paramount's Film Group and Matt Brodlie, Senior VP of Productions and Acquisitions for Paramount, along with Indian Paintbrush's President of Production Mark Roybal negotiated for the rights with the film's reps Rich Klubeck and David Flynn from UTA, along with Schwartz and Doremus' attorney Lawrence Kopeikin from Morris Yorn.

Said Goodman, "Along with our partners at Indian Paintbrush, we are extremely pleased to be a part of such a great movie, and look forward to working with Drake, Jonathan, Andrea and a tremendous cast of actors."

A spokesperson for Indian Paintbrush added, "Drake is a brilliant filmmaker, who has crafted a fresh, iconic film. With Paramount's unrivaled production and marketing teams, Drake, Jonathan, Andrea and their amazing cast are in great hands to share this jewel of a film with the world."

"Paramount and Indian Paintbrush's passion and commitment towards the film is incredibly exciting," said Super Crispy Entertainment President and producer Jonathan Schwartz.

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