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NEW YORK (January 22, 2013) - Sony Pictures Classics announced today that they have acquired all US, Australian, New Zealand, South African, African TV, and Eastern European (minus EIF which has already been sold) rights to John Krokidas' directorial feature debut, *KILL YOUR DARLINGS*. Co-written by Krokidas and Austin Bunn, *KILL YOUR DARLINGS* stars Daniel Radcliffe, Dane DeHaan, Michael C. Hall, Ben Foster, Jack Huston, Elizabeth Olsen, David Cross, and Jennifer Jason Leigh. The film is a US Dramatic competition feature at the 2013 Sundance Film Festival and premiered to a standing ovation on Friday.

KILL YOUR DARLINGS is produced by Krokidas, Benaroya Pictures' Michael Benaroya, Christine Vachon of Killer Films and Rose Ganguzza and is executive produced by Benaroya Pictures' Head of Production Joe Jenckes, Stefan Sonnenfeld, Jared Ian Goldman, Killer Films' Pamela Koffler, and Randy Manis.

The film is the previously untold story of a murder that brought together a young Allen Ginsberg (Radcliffe), Jack Kerouac (Huston) and William Burroughs (Foster) at Columbia University in 1944, providing the spark that would lead to their Beat Revolution.

"To be considered amongst the ranks of Pedro Almodóvar and Woody Allen is beyond my wildest dreams," said Krokidas. "Sony Pictures Classics is truly the perfect place for this film. This is a dream come true."

Sony Pictures Classics adds, "This is an amazing movie, a great American drama, thriller, and perfect evocation of New York in the 1940's as you have never seen on screen before. With an ensemble cast that is truly mind-blowing led by Daniel Radcliffe in a profoundly moving performance as Allen Ginsberg, we are witnessing the birth of a major new American filmmaker. Producers Michael Benaroya and Christine Vachon have truly outdone themselves here. It is a privilege to bring a film that works on so many levels to American audiences."

KILLING YOUR DARLINGS was negotiated by SPC and UTA's Rena Ronson along with Cassian Elwes.

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Michael Barker and Tom Bernard serve as co-presidents of Sony Pictures Classics—an autonomous division of Sony Pictures Entertainment they founded with Marcie Bloom in January 1992, which distributes, produces, and acquires independent films from around the world.

Barker and Bernard have released prestigious films that have won 29 Academy Awards® (25 of those at Sony Pictures Classics) and have garnered 135 Academy Award® nominations (109 at Sony Pictures Classics) including Best Picture nominations for AMOUR, MIDNIGHT IN PARIS, AN EDUCATION, CAPOTE, HOWARDS END, and CROUCHING TIGER, HIDDEN DRAGON.

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