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# SONY PICTURES CLASSICS

## **SONY PICTURES CLASSICS ACQUIRES WOODY ALLEN'S NEXT FILM MAGIC IN THE MOONLIGHT**

*Film marks seventh collaboration with the filmmaker and Sony Classics*

**NEW YORK (January 9, 2014)** – Sony Pictures Classics announced today that they have acquired all North American rights to Woody Allen's upcoming film, *MAGIC IN THE MOONLIGHT* from Gravier Productions. Like *BLUE JASMINE*, the film is produced by Letty Aronson, Stephen Tenenbaum and Edward Walson. The film was shot by Darius Khondji (*MIDNIGHT IN PARIS*) with Production Design by Anne Seibel (*MIDNIGHT IN PARIS*).

Once again, Woody Allen has put together a stellar cast including Eileen Atkins, Colin Firth, Marcia Gay Harden, Hamish Linklater, Simon McBurney, Emma Stone, and Jacki Weaver. *MAGIC IN THE MOONLIGHT* is a romantic comedy about an Englishman brought in to help unmask a possible swindle. Personal and professional complications ensue. The film is set in the south of France in the 1920s against a backdrop of wealthy mansions, the Côte d'Azur, jazz joints and fashionable spots for the wealthy of the Jazz Age.

### **ABOUT SONY PICTURES CLASSICS**

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 31 Academy Awards® (27 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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