



Seann William Scott to Star Opposite Jackie Chan in 'Skiptrace'



Seann William Scott will star opposite Jackie Chan and Fan Bingbing in *Skiptrace*, an action adventure movie project being made by Exclusive Media and China's Talent International Film Co.

Sam Fell, who directed the animated films *Paranorman* and *Tales of Despereaux*, will make his live action debut on the English-language action comedy, which will go into production Jan. 13, 2014.

The story, based on an idea by Chan, centers on a good cop (Chan) whose niece (Binbing) gets into trouble with a crime syndicate run by a crime boss the detective's been chasing for a decade. The cop is forced to track down the one man who can help save the niece, a fast-taking American gambler, and bring him to Hong Kong.

Scott will play the gambler.

The production plans to be a showcase for China's vast environments as the action moves from the mountains of Mongolia to the dunes of the Gobi desert.

Jay Longino wrote the script, with *The Sitter* scribes Brian Gatewood and Alessandro Tanaka as well as duo David Posamentier and Geoff Moore (*Better Living Through Chemistry*).

The project was brought to Exclusive by Dasym Investment Strategies B.V.'s Charlie Coker. Coker will act as executive producer on the film along with Dasym.

Exclusive's senior executive vp, production, Damien Saccani is overseeing the production on behalf of the company. Exclusive's president of international sales and distribution Alex Walton is handling international rights to the film.

By having the Talent International Film on as a producer, the project is virtually guaranteed a release in China, potentially becoming a huge platform for the American Pie scene stealer.

Scott, repped by ICM Partners and Sloane Weber, recently wrapped a turn in Courteney Cox's indie dramedy *Before I Go*, in which he stars with Olivia Thirlby and Kate Walsh. He also starred with Liev Schreiber and Jay Baruchel in *Goon*, a cult hit which has a sequel development.



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