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SAMUEL GOLDWYN FILMS ACQUIRES HARI SAMA'S COMING-OF-AGE FILM 'THIS IS NOT BERLIN'

Los Angeles, CA (May 18, 2019) – Samuel Goldwyn Films announced today that the company has acquired North American rights to Hari Sama's Mexican underground punk film **THIS IS NOT BERLIN** after its premiere at the Sundance Film Festival in January. The film stars Xabiani Ponce De León, José Antonio Toledano, Ximena Romo Mercado (*The Color of Passion*), Mauro Sánchez Navarro (*Atrapada*), Klaudia García, and Oscar® Nominated actress Marina de Tavira (*Roma*).

1986. Mexico City. Seventeen-year-old Carlos doesn't fit in anywhere: not in his family nor with the friends he has chosen in school. But <u>everything</u> changes when he is invited to a mythical nightclub where he discovers the underground nightlife scene: post punk, sexual liberty, and drugs that challenges the relationship with his best friend Gera and lets him find his passion for art.

THIS IS NOT BERLIN was directed by Hari Sama and co-written with Rodrigo Ordóñez and Max Zunino. The film was produced by Ale García, Antonio Urdapilleta, Verónica Valadez P., and Hari Sama.

"We saw the film at Sundance and was struck by the raw performances from a brilliant young cast that felt indicative of the time, but also reflected the passions of young adults today. We are excited to introduce North American audiences to this authentically beautiful film" says Meg Longo of Samuel Goldwyn Films.

The deal was negotiated by Meg Longo on behalf of Samuel Goldwyn Films and Jason Ishikawa and Shane Riley of Cinetic Media on behalf of Latido Films who is selling international at Cannes.

ABOUT SAMUEL GOLDWYN FILMS

Samuel Goldwyn Films is a major, independently owned and operated motion-picture company that develops, produces and distributes innovative feature films and documentaries.

The company is dedicated to working with both world-renowned and emerging writers/filmmakers and committed to filmed entertainment that offers original voices in uniquely told stories. This is best exemplified by the Academy Award® nominated SUPER SIZE ME; Sundance winner GOOK written and directed by Justin Chon; the critically acclaimed feature debut by Francis Lee GOD'S OWN COUNTRY; SXSW winner MOST BEAUTIFUL ISLAND; the high-school drama BLAME directed, written, and starring Quinn Shephard; LGBTQ musical drama SATURDAY CHURCH; ALLURE starring Evan Rachel Wood; Warwick Thornton's Australian western SWEET COUNTRY starring Sam Neill, Bryan Brown, and Hamilton Morris; the Wim Wenders film, starring James McAvoy and Academy Award winner® Alicia Vikander, SUBMERGENCE; the family film ZOO; NANCY, a psychological thriller starring Andrea Riseborough; COLD SKIN from director Xavier Gens; A BOY A GIRL A DREAM starring Omari Hardwick and Meagan Good, and Ondi Timoner's bio-pic MAPPLETHORPE starring Matt Smith. Upcoming releases include Joseph Cross' directorial debut SUMMER NIGHT, the Karen Gillan & David Dastmalchian lead film ALL CREATURES HERE BELOW, and the action-packed film starring Scott Adkins AVENGEMENT.

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