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SAMUEL GOLDWYN HAS ACQUIRED US RIGHTS TO THE FAMILY FILM "TEAM MARCO" STARRING OWEN VACCARO

Los Angeles, CA (**September 29, 2020**) – Samuel Goldwyn Films announced today that the company has acquired US rights to Julio Vincent Gambuto's debut feature film **TEAM MARCO**. The film, which was completely shot on Staten Island in New York City, stars Owen Vaccaro (*The House with a Clock in Its Walls*), Anthony Patellis, Anastasia Ganias-Gellin (TV's *True Blood*), and Louis Cancelmi (TV's *Billions*), also featuring Jacob Laval (TV's The Plot Against America). The film will be coming to cable On-Demand and Digital platforms November 20.

Young Marco is obsessed with playing video games and hardly leaves the house. But when his grandfather moves in, Marco's life is turned upside-down and he's forced...to go play outside. Nonno introduces him to bocce — the world's oldest game — and to the neighborhood crew of old-school seniors who play daily at the local court. With sport, laughter and love, Marco finds connection to other people "in real life" and rounds up a team of neighborhood kids to take on his grandfather and his pals.

"We couldn't be happier to join the Samuel Goldwyn Films family. We made *Team Marco* to share a message of love, of friendship, of community. In light of all that is happening in our world today, that message is now more important than ever," says director Julio Vincent Gambuto.

"I am thrilled to bring this thoroughly charming film to audiences this fall. Julio has made an entertaining and sweet movie that works for the whole family. After seeing the film, kids, parents, and grandparents will want to go out and play bocce...and maybe eat a rainbow cookie or two!" says Meg Longo of Samuel Goldwyn Films.

TEAM MARCO was directed and co-written by Julio Vincent Gambuto with co-writer B.R. Uzun. The film is a production of Boro Five and was produced by Sam Sandweiss and executive produced by Julio Vincent Gambuto, Andrew Scrivani, Stephen R. Malley, J.R. Prestifilippo, Jr., Tom Ruane, Michael and Carrie Lamb, Bill Jackson, Soo-Jeong Kang, John and Michele Scrivani, John and Terry Scrivani, Maria Colbert, Alan M. Askew, and The Lev-Ari Family.

The film opened its US festival run at the Mill Valley Film Festival, where it took home the Audience Award for Best Family Feature. Since, it has been an official selection at 55 festivals in 14 countries. It was featured as the opening night film at the 2020 Garden State Film Festival.

The deal was negotiated by Meg Longo on behalf of Samuel Goldwyn Films and Orly Ravid of Mitchell Silberberg & Knupp on behalf of the filmmakers.

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; the critically acclaimed feature debut by Francis Lee GOD'S OWN COUNTRY; SXSW winner MOST BEAUTIFUL ISLAND; 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; A BOY A GIRL A DREAM starring Omari Hardwick and Meagan Good; Sci-Fi/Fantasy PARADISE HILLS starring Emma Roberts; the horror/thriller film starring Patrick Schwarzenegger and Miles Robbins DANIEL ISN'T REAL; the road-trip comedy COME AS YOU ARE; the dark-comedy JUDY & PUNCH; action packed Scott Adkins lead film DEBT COLLECTORS; MR. JONES starring James Norton, Vanessa Kirby, and Peter Sarsgaard. the sea shanty true story FISHERMAN'S FRIENDS; and Australian romance DIRT MUSIC. Upcoming releases include the epic drama WAITING FOR THE BARBARIANS starring Academy Award® winner Mark Rylance, Academy Award® nominee Johnny Depp, and Robert Pattinson; the Hugo Weaving lead MEASURE FOR MEASURE; ETERNAL BEAUTY starring Academy Award® Nominee Sally Hawkins; family film H IS FOR HAPPINESS; FROM THE VINE starring Joe Pantoliano; LGBTQIA+ teen comedy DATING AMBER; and Andrea Riseborough led film LUXOR.

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