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**SAMUEL GOLDWYN FILMS & ROADSIDE ATTRACTIONS HAVE
ACQUIRED NORTH AMERICAN RIGHTS TO CRIME THRILLER
“SNAKEHEAD”**

STARRING SHUYA CHANG & FAST AND FURIOUS’ SUNG KANG

Los Angeles, CA (JUNE 15, 2021) – Samuel Goldwyn Films and Roadside Attractions announced today that the companies have acquired North American rights to Evan Jackson Leong’s **SNAKEHEAD**. The thriller stars Shuya Chang (Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon: Sword of Destiny), Sung Kang (Fast and Furious Franchise, Obi-Wan Kenobi), Jade Wu (Luke Cage), Perry Yung (Warrior), Yacine Djoumbaye (Three Trembling Cities), Catherine Jiang (A Different Sun), Devon Diep (Honest Thief), Richie Ng (Midnight Driver), Celia Au (Awkwafina is Nora from Queens), Jamie Choi (Gotham), and Sandra Eloani (The Heartbreak Kid).

Sister Tse comes from China to New York via a human smuggler known as a snakehead. She gains favor with the matriarch of the crime family and rises the ranks quickly, but success isn’t the only reason she came to America. Sister Tse needs to reconcile between personal success and her family.

"A decade-plus long endeavor, SNAKEHEAD is a film we crafted with creativity, passion, and community. As we enter the next phase of this journey, we are extremely excited to find a partner with Samuel Goldwyn to bring this story to the world," says Evan Jackson Leong

"Evan weaves together a compelling story with strong performances that brings together the modern-day gangster movie that audience will be thrilled by," says Peter Goldwyn.

SNAKEHEAD was written and directed by Evan Jackson Leong. The film was produced by Brian Yang, Dan Mark, Anson Ho, and Evan Jackson Leong. The film was executive produced by Sung Kang, Darryl Wong, Russell Leong, Sherlyn Leong, Marisa Leong, Jon Chan, David Hou, Helen Shen, Byron Habinsky, Alvin Lau, Greg Yap, Eric Rhee, Matt Cohen, and Bruce Ma.

The deal was negotiated by Miles Fineburg on behalf of Samuel Goldwyn Films and Pip Ngo of XYZ Films 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. The company is distributing the 2021 Academy Award® Winning Film ANOTHER ROUND and 2021 Academy Award® Nominated Film THE MAN WHO SOLD HIS SKIN. Previous releases include Agnieszka Holland’s MR. JONES starring James Norton, Vanessa Kirby, and Peter Sarsgaard; the sea-shanti true story FISHERMAN’S FRIENDS; and ENDINGS, BEGINNINGS starring Shailene Woodley, Jamie Dornan, and Sebastian Stan. Upcoming new releases include Simon Baker lead HIGH GROUND; historical adventure film EDGE OF THE WORLD starring Jonathan Rhys Meyers and Dominic Monaghan; family adventure film LET US IN; Australian sci-fi thriller RISING WOLF; Slovakia’s entry for the 93rd Academy Awards® WWII drama THE AUSCHWITZ REPORT; Palestine’s entry for the 93rd Academy Awards® GAZA MON AMOUR; and Norway’s BETRAYED.

ABOUT ROADSIDE ATTRACTIONS

Since its founding in 2003, Roadside Attractions’ films have grossed over \$300 million and garnered 23 Academy Award® nominations. Roadside Attractions’ releases include the upcoming *Rita Moreno: Just a Girl Who Decided To Go For It* and the Mark Wahlberg-starrer *Joe Bell*. Recent film include the Oscar®-winning *Judy*, starring Renee Zellweger, and the No. 1 independent film of summer 2019, *The Peanut Butter Falcon*. Their faith-based *I Can Only Imagine* was the No. 1 independent film of 2018 with a gross of \$83.5 million. The company has released such critical and commercial hits

as Manchester by the Sea, Ben Is Back, Beatriz at Dinner, Whitney, Stronger, Love & Friendship, Hello, My Name Is Doris, Mr. Holmes, Love & Mercy, A Most Wanted Man, Dear White People, The Skeleton Twins, All Is Lost, Mud, Winter's Bone, The Cove, Arbitrage, Margin Call and Super Size Me.

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