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Brightlight Pictures Inc. And Vancouver Film Studios To Host The 2003 Vancouver International Trade Forum Cocktail Reception At Cin Cin

(Vancouver, BC) – Two prominent members of the local, Vancouver film industry, Brightlight Pictures Inc. and Vancouver Film Studios have partnered to host the annual Trade Forum reception as part of the 2003 Vancouver International Film Festival. Selected guests and media are invited to attend the reception on Friday, September 26, 2003 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 pm at Cin Cin Ristorante & Bar, located at 1154 Robson Street, Vancouver, BC.

The 18th annual Film and Television Trade Forum is September 24-27 and brings together some of the world's leading experts in the field. From superheroes to screenwriting, this year's Trade Forum program also presents an extensive slate of all-important finance panels to help seasoned and emerging filmmakers meet the challenges of today's competitive marketplace.

"The Trade Forum is an important event for Brightlight Pictures to be involved with," says Shawn Williamson, one of two principals at Brightlight Pictures, "It is the business side of the film festival which explores how to make better films in Vancouver. Our Trade Forum event gives participants time to discuss key learnings and issues with the local film industry, in a social environment."

"We are delighted to be co-hosting the Vancouver Film Festival Trade Forum party with Brightlight Pictures. The event is an excellent opportunity to get all of our customers together and thank them for their business," Sacha McLean, Vancouver Film Studios' Executive Vice President & Chief Operating Officer.

Brightlight Pictures, a feature film and television production company based in Vancouver, B.C., develops, finances and produces independent feature films and television projects for the domestic and international marketplace. Company principals and producers, Stephen Hegyes and Shawn Williamson, have produced over 50 productions in the last 10 years, including Bruce Sweeney's "Last Wedding" which opened the 2001 Toronto International Film Festival and starred Molly Parker, "Alone in the Dark" starring Christian Slater, Stephen Dorff, and Tara Reid, and "House of the Dead", which is being released theatrically by Artisan Entertainment on October 10th, 2003. The company is currently producing "White Noise", a UK/Canada co-production starring Michael Keaton, with Gold Circle Films; and "The MuchMusic Movie", a teen comedy, with CHUM Television.

Located on over 30 acres of land just fifteen minutes from downtown Vancouver, British Columbia, Vancouver Film Studios (VFS) is Canada's premier motion picture production complex. By every measure of significance - production value, developed infrastructure, and sheer size - VFS is Canada's largest film and television production studio complex and the largest such complex in North America outside of Los Angeles. Combined with the most comprehensive and technically advanced production services available anywhere, VFS customers are limited only by the creative and financial scope of their productions. At the world class Vancouver Film Studios, there are no limits to the possibilities for filmed entertainment.

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