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'Zambezia' sets voice cast

Breslin, Goldblum, Nimoy, Jackson join animated feature

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Abigail Breslin, Jeff Goldblum, Leonard Nimoy and Samuel L. Jackson have joined the voice cast for 3D animated feature "Zambezia."

Triggerfish Animation Studios, currently in production in South Africa on the pic, and international sales company Cinema Management Group made the announcement Monday during the Toronto Film Festival.

Additional voice talent includes Richard E. Grant, Jennifer Lewis and Jeremy Suarez.

"Zambezia" is directed by Wayne Thornley from a screenplay by Andrew Cook, Anthony Silverston and Raffaella Delle Donne. Executive producers include Greg Becker and Claire Becker of Wonderful Works, Mace Neufeld and Edward Noeltner of CMG.

Story's set in Africa on the edge of the Zambezi waterfalls in a bird sanctuary led by the wise and battle-tested Fish Eagle Sekhuru (voiced by Nimoy). The film follows a young flying daredevil falcon who leaves to join the Hurricane defense flyers.

CMG has sold the film to distribs in more than 25 markets including Bloomage in South Korea, Praessens in Switzerland, Film House in Israel, Blancica in Venezuela and Pictureworks in India. It's also repping Triggerfish's second 3D animated feature, "Khumba," the story of a zebra born with only half its stripes.

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Breslin



Goldblum



Nimoy



Jackson



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