

## Columbus Convention & Visitors Bureau

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## Lydia Wilson, Nick Blood, and Madeline Brewer to star in indie drama *Moon Shine Still*

**Columbus, GA (August 8, 2016):** Indie film *Moon Shine Still*, currently on location and filming locally, is financed by Matthew Murdoch and Joshua Dent. Producers for the project are Craig Miller, Gabrielle Pickle, Takashi Doscher, and Alex Creasia.

Moon Shine Still is a modern suspense drama, rooted in Americana legend and folklore. The story is set in present-day Georgia, where a young hiker stumbles onto an isolated farm after losing her way on the Appalachian Trail. She is taken in and cared for by a strange yet beautiful couple who appear desperate to protect a centuries-old secret hidden deep in the mountains.

Madeline Brewer (*Orange is the New Black, Hemlock Grove, Grimm*) plays the young hiker, with Lydia Wilson (*Star Trek Beyond, Charles III, About Time*) and Nick Blood (*Agents of SHIELD*, *Babylon*) starring as the mysterious couple.

The film is written and directed by first-time Georgia filmmaker, Takashi Doscher. He is previously known for his ESPN documentary, 'A Fighting Chance.'

"We hope the film raises questions regarding modern definitions of love, marriage and monogamy. Are these concepts universal or simply a product of the limited amount of time we, as humans, have here on Earth." said Takashi Doscher

In a historic partnership, the production is also collaborating with the Georgia Film Academy, Columbus State University Department of Communication, Springer Opera House, Columbus (GA) Convention and Visitors Bureau and Columbus Chamber of Commerce to provide training and education to a new generation of Georgia filmmakers. Filming began this month in Columbus.

Lydia Wilson is represented by UTA, Mosaic, and attorney Tara Kole of Gang Tyre Ramer & Brown.

Nick Blood is represented by ICM Partners, Curtis Brown and attorney David Hiller of Myman Greenspan Fineman Fox Rosenberg Light.

Madeline Brewer is represented by Inphenate and law firm Schreck, Rose, Dapello, Adams.

Takashi Doscher is represented by UTA, Bridge Media Partners and attorney Eric Suddleson of Felker Toczek Suddleson Abramson.

Tourism, including the film industry, in Columbus, Georgia is big business. Visitor spending contributes significantly to the local and regional economies.

In FY 2015, over 1.9 million visitors travelled to Columbus attending business and trade conferences, conventions and meetings, to tour local attractions, or to visit family and friends. These visitors spent an estimated \$340 million locally.

Visitor expenditures supported an estimated 4,477 jobs in the city with an estimated payroll of over \$119 million, an average of \$27,000 per job. The economic activity arising from visitor spending is estimated to generate over \$18.6 million in lodging and sales tax for the city and more than \$15 million in sales tax revenue for the state.

Visitors to Columbus generate over \$38 million in tax revenue for the county and state. These tax dollars are used to provide public services for the citizens. If it were not for these tax revenues generated by visitors and tourism, each of the households in Columbus would have to pay an additional \$533 in taxes in order to maintain the same level of services.

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