

**American Films and Amasia Entertainment Renew Option Agreement
for Gary Whitta Feature Screenplay ‘Virgil,’ fka ‘Reaper’**

February 21, 2025 – American Films and Amasia Entertainment announced today that they will be joining forces again on American Films’ flagship screenplay **VIRGIL**, written by Gary Whitta (*The Book of Eli, After Earth*).

VIRGIL, a suspense thriller, follows the titular private investigator on a desperate search to find his kidnapped daughter. When a mysterious woman named Delia offers to help, Virgil’s life is turned upside down as she enlists his services on her own enigmatic quest.

“Sometimes the planets really do align,” said Executive Producer Lynne Murphy of American Films. “Bringing our two companies back together for this Gary Whitta screenplay is one of those times. Together, we will position **VIRGIL** as a successful motion picture franchise for the foreseeable future.”

Amasia’s Bradley Gallo and Michael Helfant added, “We’re thrilled to be moving forward with **VIRGIL**. Gary is such a talented writer. This is one of those special projects that features compelling, emotionally resonant characters, in addition to nail-biting action sequences that will leave audiences in awe.”

About American Films:

American Films Inc. is an emergent entertainment industry company focused on opportunities for equity investors. In an industry environment that is historically unfavorable to equity participation, American Films seeks to create alternative investment participation vehicles that provide necessary funding to appropriate projects while offering reasonable return on investment and mitigation of the significant business risks traditionally encountered. American Films identifies media products and talent receptive to alternative funding and fair treatment of equity investors, provides vehicles towards accomplishing mutual goals, and provides target-focused leadership incorporating an audit emphasis at all stages of project completion including financing, development, production, distribution, and royalty collection.

About Amasia Entertainment:

Amasia Entertainment was founded in 2012 by Michael Helfant & Bradley Gallo. Amasia is currently developing *THE GREEN HORNET* and *KATO* at Universal as a tentpole franchise. Past productions include John Patrick Shanley’s Irish romance feature film, *WILD MOUNTAIN THYME* starring Emily Blunt, Jamie Dornan, Jon Hamm, and Christopher Walken; the Sundance thriller *THEM THAT FOLLOW* starring Olivia Colman, Walton Goggins, Kaitlyn Dever, Alice Englert and Jim Gaffigan, directed by Britt Poulton and Dan Madison Savage; *MR. RIGHT* starring Sam Rockwell and Anna Kendrick, directed by Paco Cabezas; and *THE CALL*, starring Halle Berry and Abigail Breslin, directed by Brad Anderson. Amasia’s most recent projects include the upcoming Tribeca X Best Feature winner *AUDREY’S CHILDREN*, a biopic about groundbreaking oncologist and Ronald McDonald House Charities co-founder Dr. Audrey Evans, starring Natalie Dormer, Jimmi Simpson, and Clancy Brown, directed by Ami Canaan Mann; and the upcoming *WORLDBREAKER*, starring Luke Evans and Milla Jovovich, directed by Brad Anderson.