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New Mexico Film Office Announces "Wanted Man" to Begin Filming in New Mexico

SANTA FE, N.M. - New Mexico Film Office Director Amber Dodson announced today that the feature "*Wanted Man*" will begin principal photography beginning in May, in and around Las Cruces, NM.

Directed by Dolph Lundgren ("Castle Falls") and produced by Craig Baumgarten ("Hook," "Universal Soldier," "Shattered Glass," and "Castle Falls"), "*Wanted Man*" is the story of an aging detective, Travis Johansen, whose violent policing methods have given the department a serious public relations problem. To save his job, he is sent to Mexico to extradite a female witness, and once there, he finds not only are his old opinions challenged, but that people on both sides of the border are now gunning for him and his witness.



"Wanted Man" stars Dolph Lundgren ("Rocky IV," "Expendables," "Aquaman," and "Creed II") and Kelsey Grammer, the five-time Emmy winner who will soon reprise his iconic role as Dr. Frasier Crane in a new "Frasier" series for

Paramount+. Grammar is represented by UTA and Vault Entertainment. He most recently wrapped a lead role in the Lionsgate film "Jesus Revolution" and prior to that starred in the feature films "The Space Between" and "The God Committee." Producer Craig Baumgarten states, "Wanted Man' is an exciting action-packed thriller, and we are excited to be filming this in and around Las Cruces, New Mexico utilizing many locations, crew, and performers to tell this story."



"We're honored to host Dolph Lundgren and 'Wanted Man' in Las Cruces and Doña Ana County," Jeff Steinborn, State Senator and President of Film Las Cruces, said. "There's no better place to make a movie about the border than in our community, while enjoying our great restaurants, locations, and film incentives."

"It is exciting to see that Las Cruces and Doña Ana County are no longer the hidden gems of New Mexico," says Las Cruces Film Liaison Jon Sepp. "Production has ramped up significantly within the last year and we are incredibly thankful to the Producers of *Wanted Man* contributing to this new economic growth for our area."

The production will employ approximately 60 New Mexico crew members, 40 New Mexico principal actors and approximately 200 New Mexico background talent.

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