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MIFF 37°South Market: ACCELERATOR EXPRESS PRODUCER & SCREENINGS

MELBOURNE: 06 July 2009 – Robin Murphy has been selected as the **MIFF 37°South: Accelerator Express** producer by **MIFF 37°South Market**, the film co-financing market of the Melbourne International Film Festival (**MIFF**) which occurs 23-26 July 2009 inclusive.

MIFF 37°South: Accelerator Express is a collaboration of **MIFF 37°South Market**, which is for producers with script-stage project slates, and **Accelerator**, MIFF's workshop for new short film directing talent. It comprises:

- **37°South: Accelerator Producer Express** in which one lucky producer of an **Accelerator** short film who is developing a feature film with the same director is selected to participate in **MIFF 37°South: Bridging the Gap** thereby accelerating this team's project for consideration by registered buyers.
- **37°South: Accelerator Screenings Express** in which an **Accelerator**-selected program of short films has special screenings for **37°South: Bridging the Gap**'s registered producers thereby exposing the works of **Accelerator** top directors of tomorrow to today's established producers.

Murphy's selection entails a complimentary registration to **MIFF 37°South: Bridging the Gap**, where she will pitch Mark Albiston's and Louis Sutherland's **SHOPPING**, Murphy's first feature film project, to **MIFF 37°South: Bridging the Gap**'s more than 30 local and international film financiers. Murphy's development slate also includes the films **MIRAMAR DOG**, **THE ROAD NORTH**, **THE WHOLE WORLD'S WATCHING** and **ATTITUDE**. Murphy has produced several acclaimed short films, including **DYING LIGHT** (2000), **TE AO KAPURANGI** (2001), **OUR SECRET** (2008), **ROOF RATTLING** (2009) in addition to Albiston's and Sutherland's Cannes 2007-selected **RUN**, which screened at MIFF 2007 and was part of Accelerator 2007.

Meantime, **37°South: Accelerator Screenings Express** exposes the work of **Accelerator**'s top directing talents of tomorrow to 70 of today's established producers (registered at **MIFF 37°South Market** 2009) in a screening program of selected shorts from some of **Accelerator**'s 2009 participants. The 130-minute 2009 **37°South: Accelerator Screenings Express** program includes **LESSONS FROM THE NIGHT**, directed by Adrian Francis; **MOKUPUNA**, Ainsley Gardiner; **HAPPY COUNTRY**, Corrie Chen; **JACOB**, Dena Curtis; **TWO MEN**, Dominic Allen; **THE CAT PIANO**, Eddie White; **IMPRINT**, Edwin McGill; **BRAVE DONKEY**, Gaysorn Thavat; **UNDERGROWTH**, Grant Major; **BOXER**, Michael Latham; **SIDE BY SIDE**, Nassiem Valamanesh; **WATER**, Corrie Jones.

MIFF 37°South: Bridging the Gap is the major event of **MIFF 37°South Market**, which runs 23-26 July 2009 during the opening and industry weekend of **MIFF**. Details of **MIFF 37°South Market**'s financing guests and the rest of the market's registered producers will be announced shortly before the event. For details of the market, and updates, go to: www.miff37degreesSouth.com. **MIFF 37°South Market** is the exclusive Australia/NZ institutional partner of London's **Production Finance Market (PFM)**.

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