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Incendo Begins Principal Photography on Two Additional Romantic Comedy Films: *Written in the Stars*, Co-Produced with Screentime New Zealand and *The Secret Sauce*, Filming in Montreal.

Montreal, April 19, 2021 – Incendo and Screentime New Zealand have commenced production on ***Written in the Stars***, featuring New Zealand actors Kimberley Crossman (*Golden Boy, Funny Girls, Together Forever Tea*) and David De Lautour (*Wentworth, Westside, Touch*). Written by David Elver and welcoming acclaimed director Thomas Robins, the film is being shot on location in New Zealand. Samantha Ellison, Tina McLaren and Bridget Bourke will produce the film; Executive Producers are Jean Bureau, Ian Whitehead and Philly de Lacey.

Also starting today, production begins in Montreal on ***The Secret Sauce***. This Rom Com stars Canadian actors Tori Anderson (*Blindspot, Tru calling, You May Kiss the Bridesmaid*) and Corey Sevier (*North Shore, Lassie, Little Men*). Written by Tatiana Kroker, Incendo will collaborate once again with director Philippe Gagnon. Ian Whitehead will produce the film; Graham Ludlow is Supervising Producer; Executive Producers are Jean Bureau and Ian Whitehead.

Written in the Stars – When Kelsey’s magazine approves her pitch about a sceptic’s take on love and horoscopes, she is teamed up with Astrology guru, Carter. Clearly from opposite worlds, they put their competing perspectives aside to work the story around a local meteor shower festival. Through both fact and fate, they soon unearth that love really can be written in the stars.

The Secret Sauce – Laura is a Chicago marketing executive sent to oversee a small mid-west town cook-off and entice Jim, the local barbecue joint owner, to let her license his family’s secret BBQ sauce. As two very different worlds collide, with a dash of trust and splash of mutual admiration, a new-found friendship slowly marinades into something much bolder and sweet.

Both films are produced in association with Citytv to air as part of Citytv’s fan-favourite Fall in Love Fridays lineup.

Incendo has wrapped production on its first three Rom Coms of the 2021 slate, with *Written in the Stars* and *The Secret Sauce* rounding out five completed films by mid-Spring, and a collection of compelling content in various stages of development for the remainder of the year.

About Screentime New Zealand Limited

Screentime has been at the forefront of New Zealand television production for almost 25 years, producing hundreds of hours of television and digital content for New Zealand and the world. As part of the world’s largest independent production group Banijay, Screentime works with global television partners on co-productions, showcasing our country to the world.

About Incendo

Incendo is a Canadian company that specializes in the production and international distribution of high-quality television programming for the worldwide marketplace. Since its inception in 2001, the company has produced compelling movies, television series as well as documentaries that have been sold throughout the world. Incendo is the leading television distribution company in Canada and also handles theatrical distribution in Québec for Paramount Pictures. For more information, visit www.incendo.ca.

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