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**PRINCIPAL PHOTOGRAPHY COMPLETED ON YARI FILM GROUP COMEDY
"THE SOPHOMORE"**

**THE FILM STARS MISCHA BARTON, REECE THOMPSON,
MICHAEL RAPPAPORT AND KATHRYN MORRIS
WITH BRUCE WILLIS**

Jersey City, NJ: (September 28): Yari Film Group (YFG) announced today that principal photography had been completed on THE SOPHOMORE, a comedy starring Mischa Barton, Reece Thompson, Michael Rappaport and Kathryn Morris alongside Bruce Willis.

THE SOPHOMORE is directed by Brett Simon, a veteran music video and commercial director, who makes his feature directorial debut. The writers are newcomers Tim Calpin & Kevin Jakubowski. Bob Yari produces with Doug Davison and Roy Lee of Vertigo Entertainment.

An homage to "Chinatown" set in a Catholic high school, THE SOPHOMORE is a comedic film noir replete with surprising twists and duplicitous characters. THE SOPHOMORE focuses on a bullied sophomore school newspaper reporter (Thompson) investigating the theft of the school's SAT exams. Willis, who has long peppered his career as a leading man with signature supporting roles ("Pulp Fiction," "Sin City"), plays a tightly-wired principal and Desert Storm veteran who can't let go of his glory days in Kuwait. Barton plays Thompson's elusive love interest.

THE SOPHOMORE began production in early August and shot in multiple locations throughout New Jersey. Early plans call for Yari Film Group to release in the film during the first half of 2008.

About The Yari Film Group:

Founded in 2002, The Yari Film Group has established itself as one of the most successful independent film companies in Hollywood, with over 30 films produced over the last three years. Casting top-tier talent in compelling projects with consumer appeal, the company is dedicated to ensuring creative freedom for its filmmakers. YFG is about to go into production with the drama "Nothing But The Truth" written and directed by Rod Lurie with Kate Beckinsale, Matt Dillon, Alan Alda and Vera Farmiga as well as "The Lonely Maiden," a comedy directed by Peter Hewitt and written by Mike LeSieur starring Morgan Freeman, Christopher Walken and William H. Macy. The company's credits include Oscar 2005 Best Picture Winner "Crash," "Dave Chappelle's Block Party," The Pierce Brosnan-starrer "The Matador," "Thumbsucker," "Hostage", "Love Song for Bobby Long," "Prime" starring Meryl Streep and Uma Thurman, "The Hoax" starring Richard Gere and "The Painted Veil," starring Edward Norton and Naomi Watts.

In its new releasing venture, Yari Film Group has released "The Illusionist", starring Edward Norton, Paul Giamatti and Jessica Biel and "Resurrecting the Champ," starring Samuel Jackson, Josh Hartnett, Kathryn Morris, Teri Hatcher and Alan Alda. Upcoming releases and "The Accidental Husband," a romantic comedy starring Uma Thurman, Colin Firth and Jeffrey Dean Morgan as well as "The Sophomore".

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