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**MAYA ENTERTAINMENT ACQUIRES INTERNATIONAL RIGHTS  
TO**

## ***A BAG OF HAMMERS***

**Starring Jason Ritter, Jake Sandvig, Chandler Canterbury and Rebecca Hall**

***Foreign rights available at the Cannes International Film Festival***

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**LOS ANGELES (May 9, 2011)** – Maya Entertainment has acquired the foreign rights to the comedy ***A Bag of Hammers***, directed by Brian Crano and starring Jason Ritter (*The Dry Land, W., Freddy vs. Jason*), Jake Sandvig (*Easy A, The Story of Us*), Chandler Canterbury (*Repo Men, Knowing*), and Rebecca Hall (*The Town, Everything Must Go, Vicky Cristina Barcelona*), with Carrie Preston (“True Blood,” “The Good Wife”), Todd Louiso (*The Switch, “Medium”*) and Gabriel Macht (*S.W.A.T.: Firefight, Love and Other Drugs*). Foreign rights will be available at the Cannes International Film Festival market and are being handled by Elias Axume, Executive Vice President of International Distribution for Maya.

“We are excited to have acquired the very funny and quirky comedy *A Bag of Hammers*,” said Tonantzin Esparza, Director of Acquisitions for Maya

Entertainment. “The cast, led by Jason Ritter, is terrific and very appealing to many international markets.”

*A Bag of Hammers*, which had its World Premiere at the 2011 SXSW Film Festival, is about two misfit best friends incapable of growing up, whose direction is tested by an abandoned child worn beyond his years; together they invent the family they've always needed.

The film was written by Brian Crano and Jake Sandvig, and produced by Peter Friedlander, Lucy Barzun Donnelly, and Jennifer Barrons. The deal was negotiated by producers Peter Friedlander and Lucy Barzun Donnelly on behalf of the picture and Tonantzin Esparza, Director of Acquisitions on behalf of Maya.

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Based in Los Angeles, Maya Entertainment Group, Inc. is an independent multi-platform content and distribution company that has established itself as the leader of media product that appeals to the “new mainstream” of American Latino and Multi-cultural audiences. Led by entertainment industry pioneers, Moctesuma Esparza (*Selena*, *Gettysburg*) and Jeff Valdez (Sí TV, QuePasa.com), Maya Entertainment produces, acquires and distributes entertainment programming and has established a library of over 100 titles, which are available at retail, for rental, and on VOD through Time Warner Cable, Comcast, iN DEMAND, and TVN.

Maya’s International Distribution division, headed by Elias Axume, sells rights to its entertainment properties worldwide and has a presence at key markets including Berlin Film Festival/European Film Market, Hong Kong FILMART, Cannes Film Festival, MIP-TV, Toronto International Film Festival, MIPCOM and AFM. Currently, Maya International is selling rights to *La Mission*, starring Benjamin Bratt; *The Jesuit*, starring Michelle Rodriguez and Willem Dafoe; *Café*, starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Jamie Kennedy; *Without Men* starring Eva Longoria Parker, Christian Slater and Oscar Nunez; *Across the Line*, starring Aidan Quinn and Mario van Peebles; and the action-adventure *Nightcrew*, among others.

Maya’s recent theatrical and home video releases include the Official 2010 Sundance selection *The Dry Land*, starring America Ferrera, Jason Ritter, and Wilmer Valderrama; the action-drama *Across the Line* starring Aidan Quinn, Mario Van Peebles, and Andy Garcia; and *Sins of My Father (Pecados de mi Padre)*, the true story of Pablo Escobar, the infamous boss of Colombia’s Medellin drug cartel, as told through the eyes of his son. Coming soon from Maya are *Sympathy for Delicious*, directed by and starring Mark Ruffalo, Orlando Bloom, Laura Linney and Juliette Lewis; and *Without Men*, starring Eva Longoria Parker, Christian Slater and Oscar Nunez.

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