CraveTV Acquires Its Next Must-See Original Series, SHUT EYE, Starring the Iconic Isabella Rossellini and Jeffrey Donovan

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SHUT EYE - S1 EPISODE 101 (CNW Group/CraveTV)

 Shot on location in Vancouver, 10-episode series also stars KaDee Strickland (PRIVATE PRACTICE) and Angus Simpson (FARGO) -

"...an addicting narrative..." - A.V. Club

"...a stellar cast..." - IndieWire

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TORONTO, Dec. 14, 2016 /CNW/ - CraveTV today announced it has exclusively acquired the 10-episode psychic drama **SHUT EYE** in a deal with Sony Pictures Television. On the heels of its debut on Hulu last Wednesday in the U.S, **SHUT EYE** begins streaming exclusively on CraveTV on New Year's Eve, **Saturday**, **Dec. 31**. Created by writer-producer Leslie Bohem (EXTANT, TAKEN) **SHUT EYE** takes a darkly comedic look at the world of Los Angeles storefront psychics and the organized crime syndicate that runs them.

The announcement comes as CraveTV begins offering gifting options, including discounts on 12-month subscriptions, just in time for the holidays and the Season 2 debut of CraveTV Original Series LETTERKENNY on Christmas Day.

"Today's news furthers our programming commitment to deliver premium, exclusive, riveting series to CraveTV subscribers," said Mike Cosentino, Senior Vice-President, CTV and Specialty, Bell Media. "A compelling look at the unexplored world of psychics and fortune-tellers, **SHUT EYE** arrives just in time for CraveTV audiences to add this to their holiday-season binge list."

SHUT EYE follows Charlie Haverford (Jeffrey Donovan, FARGO, *Sicario*), a former magician with a small chain of fortune-telling storefronts in Los Angeles. For Charlie, magicians and fortune-tellers both rely on tricks. Charlie's mindset changes, however, after a blow to the head from a client's angry boyfriend. With newfound insight, Charlie questions everything he has ever believed about psychic ability. Meanwhile, Charlie's wife Linda (KaDee Strickland, PRIVATE PRACTICE) is sick and tired of their mediocre life and wants her and Charlie to break free from

Fonso Marks (Angus Sampson, FARGO), whose family controls all of the psychic and fortune-telling businesses in L.A. Screen legend Isabella Rossellini co-stars as Rita, the cunning, seductive, and sadistic matriarch of the Marks clan.

For a sneak peek of SHUT EYE, click HERE.

SHUT EYE joins the growing lineup of CraveTV Originals - series available only to Canadian audiences on CraveTV. Notable CraveTV Originals include CASUAL, MANHATTAN, and DEADBEAT, among others, as well as original Canadian series LETTERKENNY and RUSSELL PETERS IS THE INDIAN DETECTIVE, coming in 2017.

SHUT EYE will bolster CraveTV's popular Drama Collection, streaming alongside popular dramas including BLINDSPOT, ROOTS, PERSON OF INTEREST, and SALEM.

From Gran Via Productions and TriStar Television, **SHUT EYE** is created and executive produced by Leslie Bohem. Mark Johnson, Melissa Bernstein, David Hudgins, and Larysa Kondracki are also executive producing.

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