



Young Actor William Ainscough Stars As Milton In The Feature Film Milton's Secret Based On Eckhart Tolle's Book Now In Production

(October 26, 2015) Young actor William Ainscough is starring in the leading role as Milton in the highly anticipated feature film **Milton's Secret** that just wrapped in Hamilton, Ontario. Based on the children's book of the same name which was co-authored by the world-renowned "spiritual" teacher Eckhart Tolle, **Milton's Secret** features a cast that includes Donald Sutherland (*The Hunger Games* franchise, *Pirate's Passage*), Michelle Rodriguez (*The Fast and Furious* franchise, *Avatar*, *Machete Kills*), David Sutcliffe (*Gilmore Girls*, *Cracked*), Mia Kirshner (*The L Word*, *Black Dahlia*), Sheila McCarthy (*Orphan Black*, *Little Mosque on the Prairie*, *Die Hard 2*) and Hays Wellford (*Cop Car*, *Independence Day: Resurgence*).



Milton's Secret focuses on young Milton (Ainscough) whose workaholic parents (Kirshner and Sutcliffe) are struggling with marital and financial problems. Milton is bullied at school where his teacher (Rodriguez) does her best to uplift his spirits and inspires him under difficult circumstances, as does the free spirited neighborhood barista Luz (McCarthy) and friend, Tim (Wellford). But it's his grandfather Stewart Howard (Sutherland), a retired Force Recon Marine who shows Milton the secret of finding true happiness.

"This project is close to my heart, as I love movies that not only entertain, but also contribute to the awakening of human consciousness," said Tolle co-author of *Milton's Secret*.

Emmy® award nominee Barnet Baines is the director and lead writer for the film. **Milton's Secret** is being produced by Sean Buckley (*Defendor*, *Wolf Cop*, *Pretend We're Kissing*) of Buck Productions, Fred Fuchs (*The Godfather Part III*, *Bram Stoker's Dracula*, *The Secret Garden*) for Buck Productions, Stephen Huszar for Riverside Entertainment and Ryan Lockwood for Hulo Films. Production takes place in Hamilton, Ontario until the end of October.

At the age of 9, William answered an open casting call notice for a new feature film *Hidden* being distributed by Warner Brothers. William was successful in landing the role of Joey, a slightly shy and soulful boy and close friend and neighbor of Zoe's (Emily Alyn Lind). The film *Hidden*, directed by The Duffer Brothers, also stars Alexander Skarsgard (*True Blood*, *Battleship*) and Andrea Riseborough (*Oblivion*, *Never Let Me Go*).

William's second audition was for the role of Billy in the CityTV/Force Four Entertainment comedy *Seed*. *Seed* filmed two seasons and was hailed as both a critical and commercial success; it filmed in Halifax, Nova Scotia. William was nominated as Best Newcomer for the ACTRA/UBCP Awards and won the JOEY AWARD for his work in *Seed*.

Other highlights for William included learning how to realistically perform an English accent in order to play the iconic role of John Darling in ABC's *Once Upon a Time*, and a major supporting role in the television feature *Zapped* for the Disney Channel. William just wrapped the feature *The History of Love* playing the role of Bird, directed by auteur filmmaker Radu Mihaileanu, it filmed in Montreal, New York and Romania during the summer of 2015.

William is an accomplished drummer, loves soccer and is a huge fan of the online game Minecraft. He is thrilled to be able to add actor, to his resume of accomplishments. Born to parents in the Entertainment Industry (Nicole Oliver, actress; Chris Ainscough, composer/film editor), William Ainscough has made short work of realizing his dream of being an actor. William lives in Vancouver with his hilarious younger brother, Grady, and his parents.

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