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## A DELIGHTFUL ROM-COM ABOUT TWO LOST SOULS WHO FIND EACH OTHER, "THE GIANT MECHANICAL MAN," RELEASES ON DVD & DIGITAL ON OCTOBER 9



### All-Star Cast Includes Jenna Fischer, Chris Messina, Topher Grace, Malin Akerman, Bob Odenkirk, Lucy Punch and Rich Sommer

"Fischer and Messina have such wonderfully winning chemistry." – *Slant Magazine* 

September 12, 2012 – New York, New York – Janice (Jenna Fischer, The Office) is in her thirties and struggling with adulthood. Tim (Chris Messina, Vicky Cristina Barcelona), a silver-painted street performer, realizes that his unique talents don't exactly pay the bills. **THE GIANT MECHANICAL MAN** is a charming comedic love story between Janice and Tim about what it means to grow up and find love on your own terms.

Evicted from her apartment and forced to move in with her overbearing sister (Malin Akerman, *Couples Retreat*), Janice is on the receiving end of well-intentioned but misguided pressure to date Doug (Topher Grace, *That '70s Show*), an egotistical self-help guru. Everyone seems to know what's best for Janice and she often struggles to find her own voice and speak up for what she wants.

Tim is a dedicated street performer who enjoys his role as a mechanical man. His girlfriend recently ended their relationship because of his lack of motivation to find a better job. After looking at job listings in the newspaper, he eventually finds a position at the local zoo,

where Janice is later hired to work at one of the concessions stands. As Janice and Tim begin to know each other, they form a common bond and realize they are perfect for each other.

As a symbol of the urge to break free from a life defined for us, *THE GIANT MECHANICAL MAN* brings forward an optimism and feeling of belonging that can only come from falling in love.

Director/writer Lee Kirk's debut feature, *THE GIANT MECHANICAL MAN*, releases October 9 on standard digital platforms and DVD from Cinedigm Entertainment Group, a division of Cinedigm Digital Cinema Corp. (NASDAQ: CIDM), following a theatrical premiere and cable VOD release in April from Tribeca Film. In addition to Fischer, Messina, Grace and Akerman, the film's stellar cast includes Bob Odenkirk (*Breaking Bad*), Lucy Punch (*Bad Teacher*) and Rich Sommer (*Mad Men*).

Says Kirk: "What if only one person understands your art?' This was the question I posed when I began writing the script. And in doing so, the most important character for me to create was this 'one person.' I wanted someone who on the surface seemed ordinary and forgettable, the kind of person you pass on the street and wouldn't notice, but upon closer inspection is every bit as vibrant and complicated as the rest of us... her journey is where the true emotion of the story lies. From here, the film evolved into a love story."

THE GIANT MECHANICAL MAN is directed and written by Lee Kirk; executive produced by Michael Cowan, Michael Gallant, Tim Nardelli, Mike Ilitch, Jr., and Glenn P. Murray; produced by actress Jenna Fischer, Molly Hassell, and Michael Nardelli; edited by Robert Komatsu. The DVD includes an interview with Jenna Fischer and writer/director Lee Kirk, presented by American Express.

Pricing: \$26.95 US Runtime: \$9 mins. + extras

Rating: NR

Catalog #: NNVG276420

Language: English Color: Color

Audio Format: Dolby Digital 5.1 Stereo

Genre: Comedy

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