



THE COMPLETE *DURHAM COUNTY* SERIES AVAILABLE ON ITUNES AUGUST 1ST

MONTREAL/TORONTO – Muse Entertainment and Back Alley Films today announced that as of August 1st, Canadian fans of the hit television series *DURHAM COUNTY* will be able to download all three seasons on iTunes. Co-produced by Muse Entertainment and Back Alley Films and created by Adrienne Mitchell, Janis Lundman and screenwriter Laurie Finstad, *DURHAM COUNTY* has received accolades and awards since it first began: 11 Gemini nominations and 7 Gemini wins for Seasons 1 and 2, a Director’s Guild of Canada award for Adrienne Mitchell for Best Direction, and most recently nominated for five international awards at the Monte Carlo Television Festival. Over the years the series has cast the best Canadian and international stars which included Hugh Dillon (*Flashpoint*), Michelle Forbes (*True Blood*), Michael Nardone (*Ben Hur*), Helene Joy (*The Murdoch Mysteries*), and Laurence Leboeuf (*Human Trafficking*).

“Durham County received accolades from critics around the world and has been compared to “The Killing,” says Executive Producer of the series, Michael Prupas. “Canadian iTunes audiences will now have a chance to understand why.”

“We have lived with these characters and stories for years and have celebrated each milestone together,” says Executive Producer Janis Lundman. “The fact that fans of this show will have such easy access to the entire series via iTunes means a lot to us.”

“The best part of having the series on iTunes is that our fans won’t have to wait for the DVD releases,” says Director and Executive Producer Adrienne Mitchell. “Through our travels and fan sites we know there is a hunger for these characters. It brings us great joy to know we’ve touched the imaginations of so many.”

After great success with *DURHAM COUNTY*, Muse Entertainment and Back Alley Films are currently in pre-production on their next show, *BOMB GIRLS*, which will air on Global TV in January 2012.

About Durham County

Durham County is developed and produced by Muse Entertainment Enterprises Inc. and Back Alley Film Productions Ltd. with Corus Entertainment's Movie Central and

Astral Media's The Movie Network. The series is produced with participation from the Canadian Media Fund. It is being distributed internationally by ITV Global Entertainment Media.

About Muse Entertainment Enterprises

Muse Entertainment is a leading film and television production house known for its high-quality, international productions. Muse's production credits include more than 150 mini-series, series, television movies and feature films.

Since its founding in 1998, Muse has won 93 awards and garnered over 300 award nominations. Recently, Muse produced *The Kennedys* miniseries and co-produced the 8-hr. event series *Pillars of the Earth*, based on the popular Ken Follett novel. Muse is known for event miniseries, such as *Ben Hur*, *The Phantom*, *The Last Templar*, *Impact*, *Human Trafficking* and *Answered by Fire*. Muse is the producer of Seasons 1 and 2 of the otherworldly series, *Being Human*.

Headquartered in Montreal, Muse also maintains development and production operations in Toronto and Los Angeles and an international sales office in London, England.

About Back Alley Film Productions

Back Alley Film Productions Ltd. has been producing entertaining and provocative film and television in Canada for over 20 years and is known internationally for its production of cutting edge and entertaining dramatic television series. Founded by Janis Lundman and Adrienne Mitchell, the company most recently produced the critically acclaimed *Durham County*, a dramatic crime series that explores violence and the hope for love that drives it. They also created and produced the series *Bliss* and the first interactive dramatic series in Canada for CBC, *Drop The Beat*, set in the world of hip hop music and the Gemini award-winning "Straight Up" also for CBC. In 2001 Mitchell and Lundman won the Production Award for Excellence from Women in Film & Television-Toronto. Back Alley Films has offices in Toronto and Montreal.

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