

# Media Release

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## NEW GUY PEARCE THRILLER FILM BOOSTING LOCAL FILM JOBS

A new feature film starring award-winning Australian actor Guy Pearce has just wrapped up filming in Victoria, creating more local jobs and boosting Victoria's screen industry, thanks to support from the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Creative Industries Colin Brooks recently visited the set of *Inside*, a new crime-thriller which was filmed in locations across the state over the last five weeks – with cameras rolling in Melbourne's northern and western suburbs, including Brunswick and Brooklyn, as well as in Victoria's regions.

The production created 85 jobs for Victorian screen industry workers including crews, local cast, casuals and extras, backing more opportunities for emerging and established local talent. With filming boosting areas across Victoria, *Inside* also generated \$4 million in economic value to Victoria's economy.

*Inside's* filming in Victoria was supported by the Labor Government's Victorian Screen Incentive and Regional Location Assistance Fund, which are both delivered through VicScreen.

It is the debut feature film for Australian writer-director Charles Williams, who won the Palme d'Or at the 2018 Cannes Film Festival with his short film, *All These Creatures*.

*Inside* is produced by Marian Macgowan (*Two Hands, The Great*) for Macgowan Films and Kate Glover (*The Phantom of the Open, Hot Milk*) for Never Sleep Pictures, with Thomas Wright (*The Stranger, Acute Misfortune*) as executive producer.

After being transferred from juvenile to adult prison, Mel Blight (Vincent Miller) is taken under the wing of both Mark Shepard (Cosmo Jarvis), Australia's most despised criminal, and Warren Murfett (Guy Pearce), a soon-to-be-a-paroled inmate. As a paternal triangle grows between them, we see that even the worst of men have a little bit of good inside that will be their undoing.

Adding to the film's star power is Toby Wallace (*Babyteeth, The Royal Hotel*), Tara Morice (*Strictly Ballroom, Dance Academy*) and Chloé Hayden (*Heartbreak High*).

### Quotes attributable to Minister for Creative Industries Colin Brooks

*"It was a thrill to visit the set of Inside in Brunswick and meet some of our state's talented cast and crew, who are bringing this distinctly Australian story to life."*

*"We are backing productions like Inside to create job opportunities for Victorian screen workers and businesses, and put our local talent and stories on screens across the globe."*

### Quotes attributable to Inside writer-director Charles Williams

*"It was incredibly defining to have spent my formative years growing up in regional Victoria and I couldn't imagine making this film anywhere else. It's a part of Australia we don't often see on screen and I'm very grateful to have had the support to shoot here – both from VicScreen and the incredible local cast, crew, and wider community."*

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