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# 2011 TRIBECA FILM FESTIVAL ADDS TWO MORE TITLES

Lineup Now to Include World Premiere of Tony Kaye's *Detachment* And Work-in-Progress Screening of Kings of Leon Documentary *Talihina Sky* 

Detachment Cast Includes Adrien Brody, Christina Hendricks, Lucy Liu and James Caan

[New York, NY – April 4, 2011] – The 2011 Tribeca Film Festival (TFF), presented by Founding Sponsor American Express, has added two more films to its feature lineup: a world premiere of Tony Kaye's drama *Detachment* and a work-in-progress screening of Stephen C. Mitchell's *Talihina Sky: The Story of Kings of Leon*. The 10<sup>th</sup> edition of the Festival will take place from April 20 to May 1 in lower Manhattan.

Detachment is the latest absorbing, multi-layered character study by Kaye (American History X), chronicling the intertwining lives of several high school teachers, administrators and students. Adrien Brody leads a star-studded cast that includes Christina Hendricks, Lucy Liu, James Caan, Marcia Gay Harden, Blythe Danner, Tim Blake Nelson, William Petersen and Bryan Cranston. Talihina Sky is an energetic, behind-the-scenes look at the multiplatinum Kings of Leon, who had a remarkable rise from Pentecostal Southern roots to the top of the charts. Detachment will debut as part of the Spotlight section at TFF, while Talihina Sky: The Story of Kings of Leon is a special screening.

"We're thrilled that we were able to include both of these films in the lineup," said David Kwok, Director of Programming. "Both complement the program well. Talihina Sky caps off a strong year of music films, and Detachment adds to the distinct dramas that we're presenting, and it's great that it's set in New York and made here."

- **Detachment**, directed by Tony Kaye, written by Carl Lund. (USA) World Premiere, Narrative. Director Tony Kaye creates a unique and stylized portrait of the American education system seen through the eyes of substitute teacher Henry Barthes. Henry wanders in and out of students' lives, imparting knowledge where he can in the short time he has with them. Then a new assignment places him at a failing public school run by Principal Dearden and alters his insular world. Henry's stoic front is slowly chipped away by three women who impact his view on life: a student, a fellow teacher, and a teenage runaway.
- Talihina Sky: The Story of Kings of Leon, directed by Stephen C. Mitchell. (USA) Work in Progress, Documentary. Who are Kings of Leon? This energetic, behind-the-scenes documentary provides some fascinating insight for fans and non-fans alike. Known now as an all-American rock-and-roll band with millions of fans around the world, Kings of Leon remind us that they will never forget their strict Pentecostal upbringing or rough-and-tumble backcountry roots. In fact, that may just be what makes them unstoppable.

## **About Tribeca Film Festival:**

The Tribeca Film Festival helps filmmakers reach the broadest possible audience, enable the international film community and general public to experience the power of cinema and promote New York City as a major filmmaking center. It is well known for being a diverse international film festival that supports emerging and established directors.

Founded by Robert De Niro, Jane Rosenthal and Craig Hatkoff in 2001 following the attacks on the World Trade Center, to spur the economic and cultural revitalization of the lower Manhattan district through an annual celebration of film, music and culture, the Festival brings the industry and community together around storytelling.

The Tribeca Film Festival has screened more than 1,100 films from more than 80 countries since its first edition in 2002. Since inception, it has attracted an international audience of more than 3 million attendees and has generated an estimated \$600 million in economic activity for New York City.

#### **About the 2011 Festival Sponsors:**

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