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**DISNEY BRANDED TELEVISION LANDS SERIES DEVELOPMENT DEAL FOR 'HOUSE OF SECRETS' FROM CHRIS COLUMBUS, MICHAEL BARNATHAN AND MARK RADCLIFFE'S 26<sup>th</sup> STREET PICTURES**

Disney Branded Television is developing an action-adventure fantasy series, "House of Secrets," with Academy Award-nominated filmmaker Chris Columbus and his 26<sup>th</sup> Street Pictures partners, Michael Barnathan and Mark Radcliffe. Columbus co-authored the novels in the critically acclaimed, best-selling middle school fantasy book series with the late Ned Vizzini.

Chris Columbus, Michael Barnathan and Mark Radcliffe are responsible for numerous beloved film franchises, including "Home Alone," "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" and its sequel, plus "Night At The Museum" and "Percy Jackson & the Olympians," as well as the 2012 multiple Academy Award-nominated film "The Help," under their previous banner, 1492 Pictures, now known as 26<sup>th</sup> Street Pictures. Chris Columbus also directed "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and its sequel, "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets."

The series development is under the leadership of Ayo Davis, executive vice president, Creative Development and Strategy, Disney Branded Television. Davis said, "Chris, Michael and Mark tell stories that resonate with multiple audiences, across generations and genres that deliver a sense of magic and wonderment through definitional characters. There is so much affinity for their acclaimed films, and we are delighted to be working with them to develop 'House of Secrets' into a thrilling Disney+ series."

In "House of Secrets," siblings Brendan, Eleanor and Cordelia Walker aren't pleased when their family relocates to a creepy Victorian house once owned by an occult novelist, Denver Kristoff. By the time the Walkers realize that their new neighbor has sinister plans for them, they're trapped in the magical house, traveling through the fantastical intertwined universes of Kristoff's novels.

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and "The Owl House"; Emmy Award winners "Big City Greens" and "Elena of Avalor"; the beloved "Mickey Mouse" cartoon shorts plus the Disney Channel Original Movie (DCOM) franchise, comprised of more than 100 titles.

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