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[22 September, 2021] Eleventh Hour Films, BritBox UK and MASTERPIECE today unveiled a selection of initial images from the upcoming adaptation of Anthony Horowitz's acclaimed and best-selling novel *Magpie Murders*, which wrapped production in London, Suffolk and Ireland last month.

The plot to *Magpie Murders* revolves around the character Susan Ryeland, played by Lesley Manville, an editor who is given an unfinished manuscript by best-selling mystery writer Alan Conway (Conleth Hill), featuring Conway's detective Atticus Pünd (Timothy McMullan), and has little idea it will change her life.

Further cast members include Daniel Mays (Line of Duty, Des), Alexandros Logothetis (42°C, The Island), Claire Rushbrook (Whitechapel, My Mad Fat Diary), Matthew Beard (Dracula, And When Did You Last See Your Father?), Pippa Haywood (Bodyguard, Green Wing, Bridgerton) and Michael Maloney (The Crown, The Trial Of Christine Keeler). Produced by Eleventh Hour Films, Magpie Murders is helmed by director Peter Cattaneo (The Full Monty, Military Wives, The A Word) and distributed internationally by Sony Pictures Television.

Magpie Murders will launch on BritBox UK and MASTERPIECE in 2022.

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Pictured: (L-R) MATTHEW BEARD as James Fraser, TIM MCMULLAN as Atticus Pünd, Director Peter Cattaneo and LESLEY MANVILLE as Susan Ryeland

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Pictured: DANIEL MAYS as Inspector Raymond Chubb

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Pictured: LESLEY MANVILLE as Susan Ryeland

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About Eleventh Hour Films

Established in 2010, Eleventh Hour Films is an ideas driven independent production company with a breadth of experience producing drama of the highest quality, both in the UK and internationally. EHF enjoyed critical acclaim in 2020 with the globally successful Alex Rider spy series, a thrilling 8 part adaptation of the best-selling coming-of-age novels from Anthony Horowitz. The series premiered on Amazon Prime Video in the UK and on IMDb TV in the USA, and has

sold in over 100 territories worldwide. Production commenced on a second series of Alex Rider in 2021.

The company's other productions include Safe House (ITV), New Blood (BBC One), Foyles War (ITV) and Collision (ITV).

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