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**In Full Support of Local Film Production
Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau Sets the Scene for 'The Violin Case'
As Part of its Love for Arts and Cultural Development**



[Macau, November 9, 2022] In full support of local arts and cultural development, Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau sponsored and will be featured as an important set for 'The Violin Case', an independent film directed by the award-winning and up-and-coming local filmmaker Max Bessmerthy and is produced by Tentonine Productions Limited. The film, inspired by a true event that happened to renowned Macau-based painter Konstantin Bessmerthy 6 years ago, is about a surreal one-night odyssey of a foreign painter who is in search of his lost artwork after he leaves it in the back seat of a taxi in the city of Macau.

'The Violin Case', which was 2 years in development and a year in preparation, captures diverse experiences all around Macau. The film, which spotlights over 40 locations in Macau, invites all to discover the unique and inspirational culture of the city. With this in mind, Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau, known for its affinity for events related to art and culture in the city, was handpicked as one of the iconic locations for the film's production.

While Amagao Art Gallery is set as the crucial location for one of the main scenes, other scenes were taken at the hotel's signature NAAM Thai restaurant, the charming Vasco Bar & Lounge and the luxurious presidential suite, all of which became the artistic background for the film.

'Artyzen is a hotel brand with passion for arts and culture, and we believe that movies are a wonderful way to showcase the heartbeat of Macau's culture, reaching a captive audience of savvy and educated art-enthusiasts from across the globe. We sincerely thank Max, the movie director and the production house for loving the hotel for its rich cultural heritage and artistic settings.' said **Mr. Rutger Verschuren, Area Vice President, Macau Operations of Artyzen Hospitality Group and General Manager of Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau.**

'As the filming goes on, we are impressed that the film has been framed in a very unique way with Artyzen Grand Lapa as a natural backdrop, it is a celebration of the



hotel brand's mission to connect and inspire guests in the field of arts and culture of the city. We hope viewers will visit Macau and of course the hotel for a unique journey when 'The Violin Case' is released to the world.' **Mr. Verschuren said.**

'We really appreciate that Artyzen Grand Lapa has been with us since the very beginning. Our collaboration helps us take the story and the filming to the next level." **Max Bessmertny** said. 'Artyzen is where the journey started: my first pitch was at NAAM restaurant and the rest is history.'

'The Violin Case' is set to release next year after it travels through film festivals and film markets worldwide in early 2023.

About Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau

Well established in the heart of Macau, the upscale urban and lifestyle resort Artyzen Grand Lapa Macau offers a window into the city's culturally rich heritage. The name "Grand Lapa" draws inspiration from the prestigious Lapa district in Lisbon, Portugal, where celebrities and aristocrats reside. As a true homegrown brand, the hotel celebrates Macau's remarkable heritage

DIRECTOR / WRITER & PRODUCER

MAX BESSMERTNY is an award-winning filmmaker. Having grown up in Macau, Max adopts a multi-cultural dynamism into his work, utilising a mix of languages and nationalities of characters in his films.

Max's films have screened in international film festivals worldwide (the Toronto International Film Festival, New York International Portuguese Film Festival, International Film Festival & Awards Macao and We Are One Tribeca Film Festival).

His feature film projects have been selected for development at the Cannes Marché du Film, Torino Film Lab and the IFFAM Film Market.

PRODUCER & WRITER

VIRGINIA HO, Founder and Managing Director of Tentonine Productions Limited, has 16 years of experience in productions, spanning from documentaries, TV commercials, travelogue programs, film sponsorships to film productions. Tentonine Productions Limited, headed by Virginia, provided local production support for international films such as Shang-Chi and the Legend of the Ten Rings (2021).

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