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## CINÉFEST SUDBURY ANNOUNCES EARLY SELECTIONS FOR THE 2019 FEATURES CANADA PROGRAMME

SUDBURY – Cinéfest Sudbury is pleased to unveil its early selections for the Features Canada programme for the 31<sup>st</sup> edition of the festival. The Features Canada programme is representative of outstanding Canadian feature films.

***Brotherhood*** [Richard Bell, Canada, 2019, levelFILM]  
Starring: Brendan Fletcher, Brendan Fehr, Jake Manley

Based on a true Canadian story, a band of teenage boys arrive at Long Point Camp in the summer of 1926 for the adventure of their lives. When their canoe capsizes in a freak summer storm on Ontario's Balsam Lake, their holiday descends into a soul-shuddering fight for survival. *Brotherhood* tells a story of bravery, sacrifice, and selflessness. It will be up to the two adult leaders and the most rebellious member of the campers to try and save the boys. *Brotherhood* was filmed on location in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario as well as on the Michipicoten First Nations land near Wawa, Ontario.

***Honey Bee*** [Rama Rau, Canada, 2018, A71 Entertainment]  
Starring: Julia Sarah Stone, Martha Plimpton, Michelle McLoed, Peter Outerbridge

When charming Ryan Dawes (Love) hands 14-year-old Natalie "Honey Bee" (Stone) a brand-new phone with his name etched on the back, she can't help but blush. No one has ever given her anything, let alone someone as handsome as Ryan. But when Natalie gets picked up by the cops for underage prostitution, her boyfriend-pimp suddenly disappears and she finds herself alone on a farm, in the middle of Nowhere, Ontario. Forced back into foster care after months of turning tricks, Natalie has only one goal—to find her missing boyfriend. On a very short leash, Natalie quickly understands that she will have to learn to survive a new jungle: the untamed halls of small-town high school. When police come looking to her for answers about her best friend Cherry (Banzhaf) the teenager is more determined than ever to find Ryan and get back to her so-called family. *Honey Bee* was filmed in North Bay.

All Features Canada screenings will take place at SilverCity Sudbury Cinemas, located at 355 Barrydowne Rd.

The 31<sup>st</sup> edition of Cinéfest Sudbury International Film Festival runs from September 14 – 22, 2019.

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