

AFRICAN-AMERICAN FILM FESTIVAL RELEASING MOVEMENT

**Theatrical Distribution Collective Dedicated to
Black Independent Cinema Announces Third Release**

RESTLESS CITY

Official Sundance Selection To Be Released April 27, 2012

"In this intense twist on the American Dream, director Andrew Dosunmu vividly captures the pulsating dynamic of New York city's pan-African community, a robust aggregation that subsists amid an often hostile foreign environment. "Restless City" is a mesmerizing glimpse into a culture and community that is only superficially seen by indifferent New Yorkers."
– Duane Byrge, The Hollywood Reporter

Los Angeles, CA (March 1, 2012) – The African-American Film Festival Releasing Movement has acquired U.S. theatrical rights to the 2011 Sundance Film Festival Official Selection, RESTLESS CITY. Directed by Andrew Dosunmu, RESTLESS CITY tells the story of an African immigrant surviving on the fringes of New York City where music is his passion, life is a hustle, and falling in love is his greatest risk. The film will be released in theaters April 27, 2012.

RESTLESS CITY will mark the third feature from African-American Film Festival Releasing Movement, the theatrical distribution entity powered by the nation's top black film organizations. The collective activates quality black independent films with simultaneous theatrical engagements in select cities.

The company's inaugural feature was the critically-acclaimed drama, "I Will Follow," released in March 2011, followed by the Sundance Audience Award winner for World Cinema KINYARWANDA on December 2, 2011. Most recently, the collective jointly acquired MIDDLE OF NOWHERE, the 2012 Sundance Film Festival Winner of the Best Director Award, with Participant Media for U.S. theatrical distribution.

"Both in its narrative and visual quality, RESTLESS CITY takes my breath away. Andrew Dosunmu is a brilliant artist who has crafted a stunning, groundbreaking film." said Ava DuVernay, Founder, African-American Film Festival Releasing Movement. "We're thrilled to work with Andrew and his passionate team to share this gem with film lovers."

RESTLESS CITY is directed by Andrew Dosunmu, from a screenplay by Eugene Gussenhoven. Katie Mustard and Matthew Parker produce, with executive producers Audra Alexxi Jones, Munu Elifituri, David Raymond and Tony Okungbowa. The film stars Sy Alassane, Nicole Grey, Danai Gurira, Anthony Okungbowa, Babs Olusanmokin. Cinematography by Bradford Young, with editing by Oriana Soddu and costumes by Mobolaji Dawodu.

The deal was negotiated from African-American Film Festival Releasing Movement by Gordon Bobb of Del, Shaw, Moonves, Tanaka, Finkelstein and Lezcano and by Ronna Wallace of Eastgate Pictures for the filmmakers.

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