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STEPHAN JAMES & SARAH JEFFERY STAR IN DIRECTOR X MOVIE DEBUT, ACROSS THE LINE INSPIRED BY TRUE EVENTS

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LOS ANGELES, CA. **May 22, 2017** – Renowned for music and commercial videos featuring megastars Drake, Rhianna and Kendrick Lamar, to name a few, Director X makes his feature film directorial debut in the edgy drama “[Across The Line](#),” with a stellar cast.

The film features Stephan James “*Race, Shots Fired*” as Mattie -- a young, NHL hopeful struggling to overcome blatant racism from his coach, community, and the police in his racially divided town. As tensions in school grow, so does his affection and interest in the polarizing bi-racial Sarah Jeffery “*Shades of Blue, Wayward Pines*”. But his relationship with his older brother, Carter, played by Shamier Anderson “*Race, Shots Fired, Pitch*”, causes him the most heartache and jeopardizes his future.

Distributed in the U.S. by Lightyear Entertainment, the film is *Emotional, Inspiring and Thought Provoking*, a story of hope triumphing over despair, of courage and faith overcoming fear and the love and support of family prevailing over adversity. [Across The Line](#) is the story of a community divided by increasing racial tension. But it is the children who are at the center of a confrontation that results in violence and tragedy. The film encourages dialogue and will bring awareness to audiences both young and old.

Director X was motivated to tell a story that depicts all facets of the effect of racial tension and the outcomes when it is not addressed. The movie examines the dangerous aftermath of a racially charged confrontation that reaches a boiling point, and the impact when the pendulum swings in an unforeseen direction. The movie brings awareness to the spiral into violence, and to the wounds both physical and emotional that result when an issue is left unresolved. Director X is an amazing director with a unique vision of the world. In particular, his talent and skill creates psychological intensity that brings the characters to life while drawing attention to an issue that has become a national epidemic.

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