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**Provinces of Night**  
**Makes its World Premiere At**  
**Santa Barbara International Film Festival**

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**Directed & Produced by Shane Dax Taylor**

**Written & Produced by W. Earl Brown**

**Executive Music Producer T Bone Burnett**

LOS ANGELES – BUFFALO BULLDOG FILMS AND DAX PRODUCTIONS are pleased to announce ***PROVINCES OF NIGHT***, the feature film based on the novel by William Gay, will make its World Premiere at the 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Santa Barbara International Film Festival on Saturday, February 6, 2010.

The film stars Kris Kristofferson, Val Kilmer, Hilary Duff, Reece Daniel Thompson, Dwight Yoakam, and Frances Conroy in this saga of a rural family who implodes after decades of secrets, deceit and dysfunction.

E.F. Bloodworth (Kristofferson) abandoned his family forty years ago, dooming those he left behind. His wife (Conroy) has withered from sorrow and is now slipping into dementia. Fate has not spared any of his sons: Warren (Kilmer), is a womanizing alcoholic, Brady (Brown), exists at the edge of lunacy putting hexes on his enemies, and Boyd (Yoakam) is consumed with jealous rage in his hunt for his wife and her new lover. With his time on earth fading, E.F. returns home to face the wreckage of his past.

It is only through the relationship that develops between E.F. and the grandson he has never known, Fleming (Thompson) that he has any hope of redemption. The boy and the old man are truly reflections of one another. What sets the boy

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apart is that he recognizes the poison that has been passed down through the generations.

During the upheaval created by his grandfather's return, Fleming meets Raven Lee Halfacre (Duff), the bastard daughter of a prostitute. The teenagers are kindred spirits and for the first time in either's life, feel the limitless possibilities of unconditional love. The only question is, will they fall victim to the generational fate of their respective families.

"Earl and I have been living with this story since 2003, so to finally make the film with such an amazing group of actors has been a dream come true," says director Shane Dax Taylor, who returns to Santa Barbara after his directorial debut, **THE GREY**, won Best American Film and he won the Achievement in Direction Award at the 2003 festival.

"Every actor fit their characters perfectly and Kristofferson, in my opinion, was made to play this role. I couldn't be any happier with how the film turned out and to add T Bone's music in the end really raised the film to a whole new level."

W. Earl Brown, both screenwriter and co-star says, "With the recent passing of J.D. Salinger, I cannot help but draw a comparison between Salinger's most famous creation, Holden Caulfield and Fleming Bloodworth. Unlike many of my peers in Freshman Literature, I never saw myself in Holden. However, twenty years after reading *Catcher In the Rye*. I stumbled upon the little known novel, *Provinces Of Night*. As a teen, I felt the way Fleming felt, I saw things the way Fleming did. William Gay is a writer on par with the late Mr. Salinger. It is criminal that his work isn't as well known - I hope our movie can remedy that. It is an honor and a privilege to be a part of such an incredible team of artists."

The World Premiere screening of "Provinces of Night" is on Saturday, February 6, 2010 at 7:15PM the Metro 4 Theatre, with an additional screening set for Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at 8AM, also the Metro 4 Theatre.

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## **Provinces of Night**

Credits:

**CAST:**

KRIS KRISTOFFERSON

FRANCES CONROY

DWIGHT YOAKAM

REECE DANIEL THOMPSON

W. EARL BROWN

HILARIE BURTON

SHEILA KELLEY

BARRY CORBIN  
BRENT BRISCOE

AFEMO OMILAMI  
GILL GAYLE

WITH  
VAL KILMER

AND  
HILARY DUFF

**EXECUTIVE PRODUCED BY**  
CORKY TAYLOR

**PRODUCED BY**  
KENNETH BURKE

**CO-PRODUCED BY**  
HUGH BISHOP  
MIKE & DEENA BARGAILO  
JOE & JILL AVALLONE

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Credits cont'd:

**DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY**  
TIM ORR

**PRODUCTION DESIGNER**  
BRIAN STULTZ

**MUSIC BY**  
PATRICK WARREN & RANDY SCRUGGS

**EDITED BY**  
NEGUINE SANANI

**COSTUME DESIGNER**  
LEIGH LEVERETT

**CASTING BY**  
MARY VERNIEU  
VENUS KANANI

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