

NENT Group lines up 'A Class Apart' as next Viaplay Original

- Drama series stars Aliette Opheim, Henrik Schyffert and Valter Skarsgård
- 'A Class Apart' based on an idea by Henrik Schyffert and Gustaf Skördeman
- NENT Group to premiere at least 40 original productions in 2021

The next original production from Nordic Entertainment Group (NENT Group), the Nordic region's leading streaming company, is the Swedish drama series 'A Class Apart', which explores a hidden world of privilege, power and deadly secrets at an exclusive boarding school. The eight-part show uses the framework of a compelling mystery to examine social structures and will premiere exclusively on NENT Group's Viaplay streaming service.

When a student at the famous boarding school Tuna Kvarn is found dead, investigators are met with a wall of silence. Suspicions soon turn to pupils from a disadvantaged neighbouring state school – until a mobile film that reveals Tuna Kvarn's humiliating initiation rituals appears on social media and triggers dramatic consequences.

Filippa Wallestam, NENT Group Chief Content Officer: "As the European streaming champion, we want our storytelling to touch every part of society. Boarding schools are often worlds within a world and remain one of our most enigmatic institutions. Yet as viewers of Viaplay's latest original series will discover, they are also complex spaces where young people's hopes, dreams and tensions play out like anywhere else – an ideal setting for compelling and sometimes unsettling drama."

'A Class Apart' (Swedish title: 'Zebrarummet') stars Aliette Opheim ('Thicker Than Water'), Henrik Schyffert (NENT Group's 'Love Me') and Valter Skarsgård (NENT Group's 'Black Lake'), together with Alva Bratt, Maxwell Vaz, Edvin Endre, Tiam Miladi, Wilma Lidén, Amanda Lindh, Adja Krook and Aviva Wrede.

Valter Skarsgård: "This series intrigued me because it gave me the chance to play a character who is as different from me as it gets, in terms of both personality and lifestyle. At the same time, the show portrays an interesting world in a smart way. This is more than a teenage drama; we're asking broader social questions."

The series is based on an idea by Henrik Schyffert and Gustaf Skördeman, and is written by Michaela Hamilton, Gustaf Skördeman, Erik Eger, Anna Platt and Fredrik Agetoft, with Andrea Östlund, Erik Eger and David Berron sharing directing duties.

'A Class Apart' is co-produced by Jarowskij and Brommamamma in partnership with Film i Väst.



About NENT Group's original productions

NENT Group is set to premiere at least 40 original productions in 2021. In the past three months, 'Professionals'; season two of 'Pros and Cons'; 'Orca'; season two of 'The American Runestone'; 'Cryptid'; 'Hammarvik'; 'The Ambassador'; season two of 'Fixi in Playland'; season two of 'Love Me'; and 'Catwalk' have premiered on Viaplay.

Recently announced originals include 'Threesome'; 'Suedi'; season two of 'Stella Blómkvist'; season two of 'Wisting'; 'The Box'; 'Two Sisters'; 'Thunder in My Heart'; 'Furia'; 'Close to Me'; 'Try Hard'; 'Max Anger'; 'Dystopia'; 'The Head'; 'Suck It Up'; 'The Swarm'; 'Delete Me'; season two of 'The Truth Will Out'; 'Harmonica'; 'Perfect People'; season two of 'Face to Face'; 'Huss'; season two of 'Those Who Kill'; season three of 'Fixi in Playland'; season two of 'Honour'; 'Home Invasion'; 'The Defeated'; 'Margeaux'; and 'Commando'.

NENT Group's 'Wisting' has been shown on <u>BBC Four and Sundance Now</u>; 'ALEX' has been sold in <u>Europe</u>, <u>Asia and the US</u>; 'Veni Vidi Vici' has premiered on <u>Hulu</u> and is set for a <u>US remake with Lionsgate</u>; 'Pros and Cons' has been picked up by <u>Canal+ and Topic</u>; 'Honour' has been sold to <u>RTL and VRT</u>; 'Those Who Kill' is available on <u>the BBC and ARTE</u>; and 'Mia's Magic Playground' has launched on Sky Kids.

During 2019, NENT Group announced a UK-based joint venture with <u>FilmNation</u> Entertainment and invested in US studio Picturestart.

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