

# NENT Group announces ‘What about Monica’ as next original production

- ‘What about Monica’ is created by Julie Budtz Sørensen and based on her award-winning Danish podcast: ‘Det med Liv’
- Series to join a string of new shows premiering on Viaplay this year for the young adult audience
- NENT Group to premiere at least 40 original productions in 2021

Nordic Entertainment Group (NENT Group), the Nordic region’s leading streaming company will launch Danish coming-of-age thriller ‘What about Monica’ as its next Viaplay Original. Leading roles are played by upcoming talents Filippa Coster-Waldau and Maja Thiele and the shooting of this eight-part series has just begun in Denmark. ‘What about Monica’ is set to premiere exclusively on NENT Group’s Viaplay streaming service later this year.

16-year-old Louise’s life is turned upside down when her best friend Monica is raped at a party. Burdened by guilt, Louise singlehandedly begins to investigate the crime, but the more she unravels the more complicated it becomes. When digging deeper into the case Louise discovers that everyone has secrets and forbidden emotions, and she begins to suspect that the rapist might be one within her group of friends. It all collides when Louise starts to develop feelings for the mysterious outsider, Thais, who – according to her friends – is the alleged rapist. Suddenly Louise is faced with a serious decision: shall she stick with her friends or follow her heart and defend Thais who she believes is innocent?

‘What about Monica’ follows the announcements of Viaplay Originals ‘Thunder in My Heart’, ‘Try Hard’, ‘Dystopia’ and ‘Delete Me’ – all series premiering on Viaplay in 2021 as an important part of NENT Group’s content strategy adding premium original content for young adults.

Filippa Wallestam, EVP & Chief Content Officer NENT Group: “This series focuses on elucidating the complexity of choices - and related consequences – which makes ‘What about Monica’ a touching portrait of the crucial teenage years, where social life dominates everything. I am really passionate about portraying the challenges of growing up today and I believe that this unique story and talented creative team has all the potential to attract our young adult audience and beyond.”

Filippa Coster-Waldau and Maja Thiele plays the leading roles in ‘What about Monica’ which is a classic coming of age told as a crime story. It is written by Julie Budtz Sørensen and based on her award-winning Danish podcast ‘Det med Liv’ and directed by Nils Holst-Jensen.

It is produced by Nimbus Film and filmed in Denmark. Viaplay Original 'What about Monica' will premiere on Viaplay later this year.

### About NENT Group's original productions

NENT Group is set to premiere at least 40 original productions in 2021. In the past three months; season two of '[Hammarvik](#)'; '[The Defeated](#)'; '[The Head](#)'; '[Happily Married](#)'; 'Professionals'; season two of '[Pros and Cons](#)'; '[Orca](#)'; season two of '[The American Runestone](#)'; and '[Cryptid](#)' have premiered on Viaplay.

Recently announced originals include; '[Trom](#)'; '[Glacier](#)'; '[We Children from Bahnhof Zoo](#)' 'THE KINGDOM EXODUS'; '[Made in Oslo](#)'; '[Estonia: The Last Wave](#)'; '[A Class Apart](#)'; '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](#)'; '[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](#)'; and '[Margeaux](#)'.

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

NENT Group has established a UK-based joint venture with [FilmNation Entertainment](#) and invested in US studio [Picturestart](#).

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## NOTES TO EDITORS

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