

Viaplay announces 'There's Something Going On' as next original film

- Swedish feature film stars Alexandra Rapaport ('Honour') and Ella Hammarsten Liedberg ('Badehotellet')
- 'There's Something Going On' based on director Martina Haag's bestselling novels
- Viaplay set to premiere at least 70 Originals in 2022

The latest feature film in Viaplay's ongoing investment in unique Nordic storytelling is 'There's Something Going On', an ambitious Swedish drama that explores universal themes of love, angst and the search for oneself. The main character, Petra, is portrayed at two turning points in her life by Alexandra Rapaport (Viaplay's 'Honour'; 'The Hunt') and Ella Hammarsten Liedberg ('Badehotellet') in her first film role, alongside an all-star supporting cast. 'There's Something Going On' is based on bestselling novels by Martina Haag, who makes her directorial debut, and will premiere exclusively on Viaplay in 2023.

The film weaves Petra's story from two emotionally charged threads – the protagonist as a contemporary 50-year-old struggling through a divorce, and as a 15-year-old in the 1980s nearing the end of school while facing up to her own parents' disintegrating relationship.

Alexandra Rapaport: "This is a dream project. I read Martina's book and completely identified with the emotions involved. At the audition, I started to choke up when reading some of the lines. It'll be exciting to find a common physical language with Ella that visualises the way we all carry our experiences through life."

Martina Haag: "The original books have been appreciated by readers and I hope the film will be equally well-received. It's a story of grief and darkness, but there's also humour and the joy of rediscovering oneself."

Filippa Wallestam, Viaplay Group Chief Content Officer: "Our next major film project will strike a chord with audiences in Sweden, the Nordic region and internationally – in fact, with everyone who's ever loved or been loved. We've brought together a world-class team to tell this instantly recognisable story through an unusual narrative structure. Viaplay continues to set ourselves apart with our investment in unique streaming experiences."

Shanti Roney ('The Unlikely Murderer'), Gustaf Hammarsten ('The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo'), Jessica Liedberg ('Together') and Adrian Macéus ('The Truth Will Out') all feature in the film, with additional talents to be announced in due course. Shooting is currently underway in Stockholm.

'There's Something Going On' (Swedish title: 'Det är något som inte stämmer') is written by Martina Haag ('Wonderful and Loved by All') and Peter Arrhenius ('Clark'), and is produced by Calle Jansson and Mathias Gruffman at Bigster, with Sara Askelöf and Helena Larand as executive producers for Viaplay. The film is distributed globally by Viaplay Content Sales.

About Viaplay Originals

At least 70 Viaplay Originals are set to premiere in 2022. Upcoming Originals include ['It Could Have Been Us'](#); ['Threesome'](#) season two; ['R.S.V.P.'](#); ['The Fortress'](#); ['The Hunt for Jasper S.'](#); ['Liv Ullmann: The Road Less Travelled'](#); ['Those Who Kill'](#) season three; ['Face to Face'](#) season three; ['The Meaning of Life'](#); ['Something Stupid'](#); ['The Guilty'](#); ['Stockholm Bloodbath'](#); ['Delete Me'](#) season two; ['Boys'](#); ['The Dreamer – Becoming Karen Blixen'](#); ['Fenris'](#); ['Gold Run'](#); ['Billy the Kid'](#); ['Last Light'](#); ['Cell 8'](#); ['Elvira'](#); ['North Sea Connection'](#); ['Limbo'](#); ['Litvinenko'](#); ['Karma and Jonar'](#); ['Ronja'](#); ['The Uninhabitable Earth'](#); ['Polish Murderesses'](#); ['Black Dog'](#); ['Freedom of the Swallow'](#); ['Honour'](#) season three; ['Hammarvik'](#) season four; ['Pørni'](#) season three; ['Hilma'](#); ['Who Shot Otto Mueller?'](#); a biopic of ['Börje Salming'](#); ['Fadime'](#); ['Taylor's Island'](#); ['What about Monica'](#); ['THE KINGDOM EXODUS'](#); ['Estonia: The Last Wave'](#); ['Stella Blómkvist'](#) season two; ['The Swarm'](#); ['Perfect People'](#); and ['Margeaux'](#).

[Two major English-language films](#) will be produced by Viaplay every year. The company has also established a UK-based joint venture with [FilmNation Entertainment](#) and invested in US studio [Picturestart](#).

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