

THIS **Man's** LIFE

a STARS NORTH™ film

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A SOUNDTRACK WITH GLOBAL FLAIR **STARS NORTH™ Collaborates with** **Composer-Duo on Score for *This Man's Life***

Orlando, Fla—Orlando-based Stars North™ has tapped Emmy-nominated composer Glenn Longacre and international artist Robert Kerr to score the soundtrack for their latest short film, *This Man's Life*.

Expected to hit the international festival circuit later this fall, *This Man's Life* will be the third in a series of four short films from the award-winning motion picture production company. Written and directed by Todd Thompson, the film tells the magical tale of a man traveling home to claim his estranged father's inheritance when he encounters a peculiar stranger that seems to know everything about his life. The film stars Michael Rooker (*Days of Thunder, JFK*), Bill Cobbs (*Night at the Museum, That Thing You Do!*) and Betsy Brantley (*The Princess Bride, Deep Impact*).

"As composers, both Glenn and Robert have a wealth of experience and very unique musical styles with regards to their creative voice," says Thompson. "When the two suggested they collaborate on the film together, I was thrilled! I know they are going to incorporate just the right balance of character and charisma the film needs to bring this enchanting story to life."

Glenn Longacre is an Emmy-nominated composer from Calgary and a graduate from Indiana University's renowned School of Music where he was fortunate to have studied piano with Vladimir Horowitz and Gyorgy Sebok, conducting with Leonard Bernstein, and jazz with J.J. Johnson and David Baker. He was pit conductor for the New York Broadway Show *Annie*, toured as musical director for the pop star Laura Branigan, has appeared on *The Tonight Show* starring Johnny Carson, and has forged a successful career in composing and arranging. His very first scoring assignment was co-writer for *Next of Kin* with Patrick Swayze, followed by positions as music supervisor and composer on staff with the award-winning production team of Soundelux Showorks, winner an Academy Award® for Best Sound on the film *Braveheart* starring Mel Gibson.

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Glenn received a Sports Emmy-nomination for his work on the made-for-TV documentary "Arnold Palmer: Golf's Heart and Soul", and is a leading composer for themed attractions such as "Batman" (Six Flags over America), "Spiderman", "Terminator 2/3D", "Twister" and "A Day in the Park with Barney" (Universal Studios, Florida) and "The Land Before Time" (Universal Studios Hollywood). He also recently won a Silver Telly award on an advertising spot he scored for the LPGA Championship.

Robert Kerr's recognition quickly grew in 1999 after he was first seen in a special concert recorded for television which aired in over fifteen countries worldwide. He was then featured as a celebrity and soloist in the 68th annual Hollywood Christmas Parade, and has since been seen by an estimated 41 million people live on Univision's "Despierta America" (Good Morning America).

In February 2005, the Charlotte Philharmonic Orchestra performed Robert's popular work for solo fiddle and orchestra "Irish Legend." Robert served as soloist for the performance. In 2005, Robert also completed a companion work to the popular "Prayer for Peace" written for Ben Lane and the St. Luke's children's choirs entitled "Sing To The Lord A New Song." This work was performed in Prague last summer on the Choir's "Prayer for Peace Tour" and in April, Robert published a work entitled "Dreamer's Farewell" that was performed at Carnegie Hall in New York City.

Most recently, Robert's bass concerto was premiered in South Dakota with the Black Hills Symphony, featuring soloist Michael Hill. And, The Florida Young Artists Orchestra performed his "Ponce de Leon Suite" for full orchestra, allowing him to be featured once again at the legendary Carnegie Hall. Little did he know that such an incredible run would lead him to composing soundtracks for the silver screen.

As the production team of Stars North works to put the finishing touches to *This Man's Life*, they anxiously await delivery of the film's score; and, ultimately, the world premiere sometime this November. But Stars North has other reasons to be thrilled. The company will soon be in development on the fourth and final chapter of our four-part series—*A Little Taste of Heaven*, and is also in development of their first feature-length film called *The Finger of God* which was written by local screenwriter, Jeffrey Malphurs of New Smyrna Beach. The filmmakers are planning to produce the feature here in Central Florida and are currently looking for investors to fund the ultra low-budget project. Like other Stars North productions, the film will utilize great local as well as A-list celebrity talent to produce a story that is as touching as it is positive and entertaining.

"We are committed to growing the film industry and providing opportunities for working professionals here in Florida", concludes Thompson. "And it's tremendously exciting to be joining local investors who support the arts with Hollywood talent who believe in our films in order to help realize the vision we have for a collaborative and thriving industry. I promise you—the best is yet to come!"

About Stars North™

Stars North™ is an independent movie production company based in Orlando, Florida. The company produces commercially appealing, quality films with memorable characters, engaging plots and redeeming messages. Stars North™ is committed to developing and producing projects in Florida that employ local cast and crew for worldwide distribution. For more information, contact Stars North™ at (800) 488-1138, or visit the company's Web site: www.starsnorth.com.

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With its films playing for festival audiences around the world, Stars North™ boasts a modest resume of awards and recognition, including:

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Best Short Film

Best Director

Best Cinematography

Best Original Score

Best Editing

Best Costumes

Best Hair & Make-Up

Best Actor

Best Actress

People's Choice

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