Tom Hiddleston to Receive Variety Virtuoso Award at Miami Film Festival

Variety will present Tom Hiddleston with the Variety Virtuoso Award at the Miami Film Festival on Tuesday, April 9. The award will be for his career achievements across film, theater and television.

"From screens large and small to the Broadway stage, Tom Hiddleston is one of our most versatile and engaging actors," said Jenelle Riley, Variety Focus Awards and Features Editor. "With Season two of 'Loki,' he brought a Shakespearean arc to a fan-favorite character, making us laugh and cry - sometimes simultaneously. No one that talented should also be that nice. Or that tall."

"We couldn't be more thrilled to be honoring actor Tom Hiddleston at the 41st edition of Miami Film Festival. Not only has he worked with incredible directors such as Steven Spielberg and Guillermo del Toro, but his phenomenal work from the stage to the screen has made a lasting impact on fans around the world," said Lauren Cohen, Miam Film Festival Director of Programming. "His illustrious career and staring role in such an incredible franchise is something we could not be more delighted to honor. We're so excited to be partnering with Variety to honor the talent and remarkable career of Tom Hiddleston."

Hiddleston will join previously announced honoree Molly Ringwald (Variety Creative Vanguard Award) in the lineup. The Festival will open with "Thelma," directed by Josh Margolin and starring June Squibb, Fred Hechinger, and Parker Posey with director Josh Margolin and producer Zoë Worth in attendance. The Festival will close with "Ezra," directed by Tony Goldwyn, who will be in attendance on Saturday, April 13 and will receive the Art of Light Award for directing. Alison Brie will also receive the Art of Light Award and Sing Sing director Greg Kwedar will be honored with the Impact Award. The Festival will present three Marquee screenings for the films Dear Jassi, Sing Sing and The Performance, along with a Centerpiece screening of The Idea of You. The 2024 Miami Film Festival will celebrate more than 180 feature narratives, documentaries, and short films of all genres, from over 31 countries worldwide, featuring ten World Premieres, ten North American Premieres, five U.S. Premieres, and 11 East Coast Premieres, and 42 Florida Premieres. The complete program is available at <u>www.miamifilmfestival.com</u>.