



MIAMI FILM FESTIVAL GEMS TO HONOR SEBASTIAN STAN WITH PRECIOUS GEM AWARD

*Award to be Presented Immediately Following a Live Recording of
The Hollywood Reporter's Awards Chatter Podcast*

Miami, FL (September 20, 2024) – Miami Dade College's (MDC) Miami Film Festival GEMS (MFF) announced that **Sebastian Stan will receive the Precious Gem Award**. He'll receive the award immediately following a live recording of **The Hollywood Reporter's Awards Chatter podcast moderated by Scott Feinberg**, Executive Editor of Awards, in front of a festival audience. The event will be held on Sunday, Nov. 3 at 5:00 p.m. at MDC Wolfson Auditorium in downtown Miami. GEMS will take place October 30 – November 3, 2024, and continue its tradition of celebrating this year's top films and award contenders.

The Precious Gem Award is the festival's signature award, reserved for one-of-a-kind artists whose contributions to cinema are lasting and unforgettable. Past Precious Gem recipients included Pedro Almodóvar, Penelope Cruz, Isabelle Huppert, Rita Moreno, Ramin Bahrani, Ryusuke Hamaguchi, Sheryl Lee Ralph, Patricia Clarkson, and more.

"We are thrilled to honor Sebastian Stan with our prestigious Precious Gem Award to celebrate his impressive acting achievements including his transformative performances in this year's *The Apprentice* and *A Different Man*," said **Lauren Cohen, Miami Film Festival Programming Director**. "We're also excited to partner with *The Hollywood Reporter* to bring Scott Feinberg and the celebrated *Awards Chatter* podcast to Miami."

Stan earned the Silver Bear Award for Best Leading Performance at the Berlin Film Festival for A24's *A Different Man*, where he plays Edward, an actor with neurofibromatosis undergoing a radical transformation. Stan also executive produced the film, which premiered September 20. His next film, *The Apprentice* debuted at the Cannes Film Festival where we received rave reviews for his performance. Stan has received multiple Emmy®, Golden Globe, and Critics Choice nominations, notably for his portrayal of Tommy Lee in Hulu's *Pam and Tommy*. His other credits include *Destroyer*, *I*, *Tonya*, *Fresh*, *Dumb Money*, *Sharper*, *The 355*, *Monday*, *Logan Lucky*, *The Martian*, *Ricki and the Flash*, *Black Swan* and *Ending, Beginnings*. He recently wrapped production on Marvel's *Thunderbolts*, reprising his role as Bucky Barnes, which he's played in seven of the billion-dollar "Avengers" franchise films including *Avengers: Endgame*, *Ant-Man*, *Black Panther*, *Avengers: Infinity War*, and three installations of Marvel's Captain America: *Captain America: Civil War*, *Captain America: The Winter Soldier* and *Captain America: The First Avenger*.

The complete 2024 Miami Film Festival GEMS 2024 lineup and schedule will be announced on Tuesday, Oct. 1 at www.miamifilmfestival.com.

About Miami Dade College's Miami Film Festival

Miami Dade College celebrates cinema in two annual events, Miami Dade College's Miami Film Festival GEMS (October 30 – November 3, 2024) and Miami Film Festival (42nd annual edition April 4-13, 2025). The Miami Film Festival is considered the preeminent film festival for showcasing Ibero-American cinema in the U.S., and a major launch pad for all international and documentary cinema. The annual Festival welcomes more than 45,000 audience members and more than 400 filmmakers, producers, talent and industry professionals. In the last five years, the Festival has screened films from more than 60 countries, including 300 World, International, North American, U.S. and East Coast Premieres. The Festival also offers unparalleled educational opportunities to film students and the community at large. For more information, visit miamifilmfestival.com or call 305-237-FILM (3456).

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