

## F. Gary Gray to Direct 'The Last Days of American Crime' (Cannes)

Avatar's Sam Worthington will star in the heist film.

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Cannes -- **F. Gary Gray** is now attached to direct *The Last Days of American Crime*, a heist movie in which **Sam Worthington** is set to star, for IM Global and Radical Pictures.

The project, which IM Global will be offering at the Cannes Film Market, is based on the Radical graphic novel written by Rick Remender. Karl Gadejsak will write the screenplay set in a near-future where the government plans to implement a form of legal mind control, making it impossible for its citizens to commit unlawful acts. Worthington, the star of *Avatar* and *Terminator: Salvation*, will play a career criminal, who must put together the last heist in American history on the last night that crime is possible.

The actor's Full Clip Productions label is also producing alongside Automatik Entertainment. Gray most recently directed *Law Abiding Citizen*.

The project was announced Monday by IM Global founder and CEO Stuart Ford and Radical founders Barry Levine and Jesse Berger.

Full Clip's Michael Schwarz will produce with Levine and Berger. Executive producers will be Ford, Worthington and Automatik's Brian Kavanaugh-Jones.

"This is such a powerful, iconic piece of material - we really believe this movie can bring something fresh to the noir universe and become an explosive action feature film. We're delighted to be working alongside the super talented Radical team, Gary and Sam," Ford said.

"The Last Days of American Crime graphic novel is one of the most coveted titles in the Radical catalog and our most successful international seller," Levine added.