



Lionsgate sets 'Dredd' for 2012

3D pic to be released on Sept. 21, 2012

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Adding another 3D title to its 2012 pipeline, Lionsgate has dated comicbook adaptation "Dredd" for a Sept. 21 release.

"Dredd," based on the popular "Judge Dredd" comic book series, marks the first September 2012 release for Lionsgate. The distrib plans to launch "The Expendables" sequel on Aug. 17 and 3D horror pic "The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" on Oct. 5.

Directed by Pete Travis and starring Karl Urban, Olivia Thirlby and Lena Headey, "Dredd" tells the futuristic story of a powerful cop in Mega City One, a city that runs down the entire east coast of America. Pic is produced by DNA Films' Andrew Macdonald, Allon Reich and Alex Garland, along with Stuart Ford's IM Global.

"Dredd" is included in a three-picture deal between Lionsgate and IM Global that was announced during November 2010.

In its date, the film will launch the same weekend as Sony's toon "Hotel Transylvania" and a week after Sony/Screen Gems' fifth "Resident Evil" installment, both of which will screen in 3D.