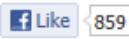


# Toronto: Richard Linklater Completes 'Before Midnight' Just Before Fest Begins

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**EXCLUSIVE:** Buyers arriving at the [Toronto Film Festival](#) tomorrow already have a lot of sales titles to consider (more on that tomorrow). Here's another title to add to the mix: [Richard Linklater](#) just wrapped shooting in Messinia, Greece on [Before Midnight](#), the third film in a series that began with *Before Sunrise* and *Before Sunset*.



*Before Midnight*, which has [Julie Delpy](#) and [Ethan Hawke](#) reprising their roles as star-crossed lovers Celine and Jesse, was once again scripted by Linklater, Delpy and Hawke, the same team that got an Oscar nom in 2005 for *Before Sunset*. Linklater shot the film quietly, as many didn't think it would happen before 2013.

There won't be a sizzle reel or script to read at Toronto, because the film wrapped late last night. But Cinetic Media's John Sloss will be handling domestic sales once again and he will be at Toronto with other films. *Before Midnight* is produced by Linklater's Detour Filmproduction, Christos V. Konstantakopoulos and Sara Woodhatch of Faliro House and Jacob Pechenik of Venture 4TH, together with Martin Shafer and Liz Glotzer of Castle Rock Entertainment. Sloss is exec producer. Stuart Ford's IM Global specialty label ACCLAIM is handling international sales.

The co-writers issued this statement: "It's great to be back together again, this time in beautiful Greece to revisit the lives of Celine and Jesse nine years after Jesse was about to miss his flight."

The film is Linklater's follow-up to the Jack Black-starrer *Bernie*, which is still in theaters after 19 weeks. Linklater continues to make episodes of *Up To Speed*, the series that runs on Hulu and Hulu Plus.