



South East Arts Media Release

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Get on board the Dirt Fox bus

A young girl traces the footsteps of her runaway sister across the Monaro plains and to the sea. This is the story of *Dirt Fox*, the new short film by Bega-based Oh'Allmhurain Films.

Dirt Fox joins the growing collection of inspirational screen-based works being created in the south east region and is the fourth offering from director Patrick O'Halloran and Oh'Allmhurain Films.

"Oh'Allmhurain Films is on a journey towards making a successful local feature film. *Dirt Fox*, at around 30 minutes, is the next logical step. We always use local cast and crew, sourced from across the region, many of whom have been with us from the beginning." Mr O'Halloran said.

Oh'Allmhurain's first two short films were made specifically for competition – for Tropfest and Focus on Ability. Now, unconstrained by the requisites of competition, they are aiming to make *Dirt Fox* the best thirty-minute film they can.

Andrew Gray, General Manager of South East Arts is excited to see yet another professional regional short film underway.

"There are some really talented film makers in our corner of the world and it's great to see them collaborating on projects like *Dirt Fox*."

"By 2018 we would like to see a self-managing cluster of screen practitioners in the region, creating quality, vibrant screen content that is reaching regional, national and international audiences," Mr Gray said.

The community is invited to get behind the *Dirt Fox* project, as they launch their crowd funding campaign.

"Most film directors will tell you, a movie is only as good as it sounds," says Mr O'Halloran, "Sound helps sets the scene and it is often an element your audience really remembers. It has a real impact on the quality of your end-product. We are seeking \$5000 in community crowd funding to hire a professional sound recordist to complete our crew."

Crowd funding has become a crucial part of film making in recent years and allows the general public to be part of the team and a great way for locals to show their support of the industry. In return for an investment starting from as low as \$25 up to \$1000 or more, investors may receive a variety of awards including cameo appearances, t-shirts and a trip on the fictitious Bellbrook bus across the Monaro plains.

You can contribute to the film's campaign and watch a short introductory video featuring *Dirt Fox*'s stars Saoirse Pixie Perry-Britton and Jamie Forbes at www.pozible.com/dirtfox.

Oh'Allmhurain Film's most recent release *The Shallows* can be seen on South East Art's website www.southeastarts.org.au/screen-projects. South East Arts will be running *Crowd funding for Screen Projects* workshops in 2016.

For further information please contact South East Arts on 6492 0711.

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Image: Jamie Forbes and Saoirse Pixie Perry-Britton, in a still from the short film *Dirt Fox*, to be filmed on the Monaro Plains and in the Bega Valley early in 2016.