LEGENDARY ENTERTAINMENT AND HASBRO ENTERTAINMENT CASTS MAYA HAWKE IN UPCOMING MAGIC: THE GATHERING FILM

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Tuesday, November 3, 2026 – Legendary Entertainment and Hasbro Entertainment today announced the casting of Maya Hawke (*Stranger Things, Little Women, Do Revenge*)in their upcoming live-action feature film based on Hasbro's massively successful *Magic: The Gathering* franchise. Hawke's role has not yet been disclosed.

The film is part of a broader partnership between Legendary Entertainment and Hasbro Entertainment to create a live-action feature film and television universe based on *Magic: The Gathering*, Hasbro's first $1 billion brand.

The film will be directed by Matt Johnson (BlackBerry, *Nirvanna the Band the Show*), who is also attached to write alongside Noah Gardner (*Calls, Super 8*) and Aidan Fitzgerald (*Calls*).

Launching the genre of trading card games in 1993, *Magic: The Gathering* has become a cultural engine with an expanding ecosystem of entry points that now spans streaming, digital games, publishing, consumer products, live events, and IP crossovers. The deep lore and welcoming community

continue to captivate more than 50 million fans of all ages worldwide.

As the world's first trading card game, Magic has grown into a global phenomenon, with events and professional play circuits around the world, dedicated conventions attracting tens of thousands of players, and a thriving secondary market for rare and powerful cards. Set across a multiverse of fantasy worlds, the game's rich mythology continues to evolve through its card sets, novels, and crossover collaborations with iconic franchises including *Final Fantasy, Marvel, Star Trek, Dungeons & Dragons,* and *The Lord of the Rings.*

Hawke will next be seen on-screen in Lionsgate's *The Hunger Games: Sunrise On The Reaping*, Graham Parkes' romantic comedy *Wishful Thinking* and Netflix's original series *God Of The Woods*. Past credits include critically acclaimed Netflix drama Stranger Things, Disney and Pixar's *Inside Out 2*, Wes Anderson's *Asteroid City,* Jennifer Kaytin Robinson's feature *Do Revenge*, Quentin Tarantino's *Once Upon a Time in Hollywood*, Gia Coppola's feature film *Mainstream,* and Bradley Cooper's Leonard Bernstein drama *Maestro*, among others.

As a master of translating fan-driven IP and creating premium original content, Legendary has established itself as the industry model for fresh and compelling franchise storytelling with artistic integrity and long-term vision. Recent titles include the smash hit A MINECRAFT MOVIE, based on the world's bestselling game of all time, starring Jack Black and Jason Momoa; the six Academy Award®-winning DUNE and DUNE: PART TWO, adapted from Frank Herbert's Hugo Award-winning epic novel; multiple entries in its cinematic Monsterverse, including GODZILLA x KONG: THE NEW EMPIRE, GODZILLA VS. KONG, GODZILLA: KING OF THE MONSTERS, KONG: SKULL ISLAND, and GODZILLA, as well as POKÉMON: DETECTIVE PIKACHU; and the ENOLA HOLMES franchise. Upcoming films include DUNE: PART THREE; Magic: The Gathering, based on the $1 billion card game; a film adaptation of the iconic STREET FIGHTER game; DIGGER, a highly anticipated Alejandro G. Iñárritu film starring Tom Cruise; the live action-animation hybrid comedy ANIMAL FRIENDS, starring Ryan Reynolds, Jason Momoa, Aubrey Plaza, and Dan Levy; and additional event films from both Denis Villeneuve and the studio's Monsterverse franchise.

Since its launch in 2023, Hasbro Entertainment has laid the groundwork for long-term success, cultivating a robust slate of films and series. The development of Magic is part of Hasbro Entertainment's ongoing strategy to elevate storytelling and produce films and series based on Hasbro's most iconic brands alongside the industry's best talent, studios, and distribution platforms. With a tailored creative approach to each property, Hasbro Entertainment is focused on identifying the right stories, formats, and creative partners to preserve the authenticity of its beloved franchises while introducing them to new audiences. The strategy reflects a commitment to honoring the DNA that has built passionate fan communities while finding fresh ways to keep these properties culturally relevant for generations to come. Other active Hasbro Entertainment projects include a re-imagining of *Clue* across film and television with Sony's TriStar Pictures and Sony Pictures Television; a deal with LuckyChap and Lionsgate to produce a film based on *Monopoly;* an unscripted adaptation of *Monopoly* for Netflix; an animated *Magic: The Gathering* series, currently in production at Netflix; the first-ever live-action film adaptation of *My Little Pony*, in development with Amazon MGM Studios; The CW game shows based on *Trivial Pursuit* and *Scrabble;* a Baldur's Gate television series created by Craig Mazin in development with HBO; a live-action film adaptation of *The Game of Life* directed by Sean Anders and written by Allan Loeb, for Amazon MGM; and many more.

Hawke is represented by CAA and Untitled Entertainment.