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Filming for the new UK Amazon Original series commences later this month in Edinburgh, Scotland

The Rig is produced by Wild Mercury Productions, written by David Macpherson and directed by John Strickland

London, UK – Thursday 18th March 2021 – Amazon Prime Video has unveiled casting on the highly-anticipated UK Amazon Original series *The Rig*, a six-part epic thriller produced by Wild Mercury Productions (part of Banijay UK), created by David Macpherson and directed by [John Strickland](#) (*Line of Duty*, *Bodyguard*). The series is set to film exclusively in Scotland later this month on an oil rig and at FirstStage Studios in Edinburgh.

Meet the crew of the Kinloch Bravo oil rig:



[Iain Glen](#) (*Game of Thrones*, *Mrs Wilson*) plays Magnus MacMillan, Offshore Installation Manager of the rig and leader of the crew, [Emily Hampshire](#) (*Schitt's Creek*) plays Rose Mason the scientist and oil company rep, a fresh face on-board the rig.

[Martin Compston](#) (*Line of Duty*, *Traces*) plays Communications Officer Fulmer Hamilton. [Rochenda Sandall](#) (*Criminal: UK*, *Small Axe*) plays Medic Cat Braithwaite. [Owen Teale](#) (*Game of Thrones*, *A Discovery of Witches*) is Head Driller Lars Hutton. [Richard Pepple](#) (*Bridgerton*, *Cobra*) is crew boss Grant Dunlin and [Mark Bonnar](#) (*Guilt*, *Quiz*) is Deck Foreman Alwyn Evans.

[Calvin Demba](#) (*Life*, *Last Christmas*) plays Drill Hand Baz Roberts, [Emun Elliott](#) (*Guilt*) is rig mechanic Leck Longman. [Abraham Popoola](#) (*Cruella*) is rig crane driver Easter Ayodeji, [Stuart McQuarrie](#) (*Des*) is Head Chef Colin Murchison and [Molly Ververs](#) (*The Spanish Princess*) plays roustabout Heather Shaw.

Magnus and his crew aboard the Kinloch Bravo oil rig are stationed off the Scottish coast in the dangerous waters of the North Sea. When they are due to be collected and return to the mainland a mysterious and all-enveloping fog rolls through. The rig is hit by massive tremors, and they find themselves cut off from all communication with the shore and the outside world. As the crew endeavour to discover what's driving this unknown force, a major accident forces them to ask questions about who they can really trust. Bonds are broken, allegiances formed and generational fault lines exposed. The crew of the Bravo will be driven to the limits of both their loyalties and their endurance, into a confrontation with forces beyond their imagination.

The Rig will join the thousands of TV shows and movies in the Prime Video catalogue, including UK produced Amazon Original series such as *Good Omens*, *The Grand Tour*, *All or Nothing: Tottenham Hotspur*, *Truth Seekers* and *All or Nothing: Manchester City*; hit movies like *Coming 2 America*, Golden Globe winner and Academy Award nominee *Borat Subsequent Moviefilm*, the Golden Globe and Academy Award nominated movies *One*

Night in Miami and *Sound of Metal*; and critically-acclaimed global Amazon Original series including *Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan*, *The Boys*, *Homecoming* and *The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*, all available on Prime Video at no extra cost for Prime members. Prime Video also offers Prime members in the UK live coverage of Premier League football matches, Autumn Nations Cup international rugby union tournament, plus exclusive coverage of ATP Tour and US Open tennis.

Prime members will be able to watch all episodes of *The Rig* anywhere and anytime on the Prime Video app for smart TVs, mobile devices, Fire TV, Fire TV stick, Fire tablets, games consoles, on Virgin's V6 TV Box, the Talk Talk TV set top box, Apple TV, Chromecast, BT TV or online at www.amazon.co.uk/primevideo. In the Prime Video app, Prime members can download episodes on their mobile devices and tablets and watch anywhere offline at no additional cost. Prime Video is available in the UK and Ireland at no extra cost to a Prime membership for just £7.99 a month or £79 per year. New customers can find out more at amazon.co.uk/prime and subscribe to a free 30-day trial.

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About Wild Mercury Productions

Wild Mercury was established in 2017 by Derek Wax to develop and produce bold, irreverent, imaginative stories for UK and US broadcasters. In creative collaboration with the most original writers working in drama and comedy, the team at Wild Mercury are drawn to dramas which take creative risks, bringing exciting, unfamiliar worlds to audiences. Wild Mercury is part of the Banijay Group.

Wild Mercury's recent projects, in association with Kudos, include *Troy: Fall of A City* for BBC and Netflix, Bafta nominated *Humans* for Channel 4 and AMC and *Capital* for BBC One. The company is also in production with the recently announced mini-series *The Sixth Commandment*, written by Sarah Phelps, for BBC One.

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