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"A Magical Mystery Tour" to be Cast by Fern Champion

The Mask, Beverly Hills 90210 and Mortal Kombat veteran gets the nod to cast movie about infatuated Beatles fan, who believes he really is a Beatle!

Beverly Hills, CA - Allied Artists Pictures has announced that Fern Champion, of Champion Casting, is casting the screenplay "*A Magical Mystery Tour*," written by Brooke Halpin and Frank Thurmond. "*A Magical Mystery Tour*" is the story of Trevor Hampton, who becomes so infatuated with The Beatles that he believes he's a Beatle himself! The question is, will he ever end his 'magical mystery tour' and face reality?

Fern Champion, herself a celebrated casting director, has cast dozens of feature films, network, cable and television movies, as well as such iconic TV series as Beverly Hills 90210. Champion has discovered the talents of Cameron Diaz, Mickey Rourke, Danny Glover, Kim Cattrall, David Spade, George Lopez, and Sharon Stone.

"*A Magical Mystery Tour*" director Arthur Allan Seidelman presented the screenplay to Ms. Champion along with her casting partner Paul Ruddy (*Scrubs*, *A.I. Assault and Devil's Diary*). The pair have begun preliminary casting.

"We are very excited to be casting '*A Magical Mystery Tour*.' It's not often that a script comes our way that is funny, moving and unpredictable, and filled with such rich, complex characters," says Champion.

The Brian Avery, Brooke Halpin and Frank Thurmond produced movie is being distributed worldwide by Allied Artists Pictures. Principal photography is scheduled to begin in 2010 with a theatrical release later that year.

The history of Allied Artists is long, varied and legendary. Throughout the years, the Allied Artists brand has been associated with such classic motion pictures as "Papillon,"

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starring Steve McQueen and Dustin Hoffman, "Cabaret," with Liza Minnelli and Joel Grey, "Tickle Me" starring Elvis Presley, and "The Man Who Would be King," starring Sean Connery, Michael Caine and Christopher Plummer, to name but a few.

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