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CMG seals 'Chemical Wedding' deals

Simon Callow stars in Aleister Crowley biopic

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Cinema Management Group has closed key deals in major territories on Iron Maiden singerturned-film scribe Bruce Dickinson's "Chemical Wedding."

Starz/Anchor Bay Entertainment is set to handle distribution in the U.S. and Canada, while Universal Pictures Video will cover France, Belgium and the Netherlands for an early 2009 release.

"Wedding," starring Simon Callow, tells the story of Aleister Crowley, once dubbed 'the most evil man in Britain.' It was produced by Focus Film's David Pupkewitz and Malcolm Kohll.

"The Iron Maiden fan base has been very present in distributor marketing considerations for the film," said CMG's president Edward Noeltner. "Every distributor realizes that this fan base is very motivated to see Bruce's screenplay on the bigscreen."

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