



The Canterville Ghost

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‘The Canterville Ghost’ Scares Up NorAm Release with Shout! & Blue Fox

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Blue Fox Entertainment is bringing another **Stephen Fry**-starring animated jaunt to North American theaters, teaming up with Shout! Studios to conjure the British CGI feature *The Canterville Ghost*! Following its Stateside distribution of *The Inventor*, which features Fry (*Wilde*, *The Hobbit*) as the voice of Leonardo da Vinci, this latest acquisition from Cinema Management Group sees the Golden Globe-nominated actor, author and television personality embody Oscar Wilde’s put-upon apparition.

The film opens in the U.K. on September 22 through Signature Entertainment.

Synopsis: For 300 years, Sir Simon de Canterville has been haunting his ancestral home, Canterville Chase, and loving it! But everything changes when an American family buys the estate and moves in...

Directed by Kim Burdon (*Stressed Eric*) and Robert Chandler (*The Amazing Maurice*, *The Deep*), the film also features the voices of Fry’s longtime collaborator, Golden Globe winner **Hugh Laurie** (*House*, *Stuart Little*), Golden Globe nominee **Freddie Highmore** (*The Good Doctor*, *Bates Motel*), **Emily Carey** (*Wonder Woman*, *Game of Thrones: House of the Dragon*), Oscar nominee **Imelda Staunton** (*Vera Drake*, *The Crown*), **Miranda Hart** (*Spy*, *Call the Midwife*) and Golden Globe nominee **Toby Jones** (*The Girl, Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy*).

Wilde's classic story was adapted to the screen by Giles New & Keiron Self. Co-director Chandler also serves as producer through his Space Age Films banner, alongside Gina Carter of Sprout Pictures (co-owned by Fry), P. Jayakumar of Toonz Media Group and Nadia Khamlichi & Martin Metz of financier Align. Executive producers are Fry, Jerry Hibbert, Bob Benton, Hilary Strong, Edward Noeltner, Nessa McGill, Khamlichi, Jayakumar, Paul Cummins, Paul Grindey and Charles Moore.

North American rights for *The Canterville Ghost* were negotiated by Shout! Studios' Melissa Boag, EVP Kids & Family Entertainment; Jordan Fields, SVP Acquisitions & Originals; and Steven Katz, VP of Business Affairs; Longo & Alach LLP's Patrick Alach for Blue Fox; and Edward Noeltner for international distribution rights holder Cinema Management Group.

