

Brian O'Halloran talks "MISS DECEMBER" and "MR. HUSH"

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Actor Brian O'Halloran is best known for comedic roles like Kevin Smith's CLERKS films, but he's been carving out a small niche in genre features as well. He gave us a few words about his next such outing, MISS DECEMBER (pictured), as well as the recently released MR. HUSH.

Speaking to us at the recent Monster Mania convention in New Jersey, O'Halloran tells Fango, "I filmed MISS DECEMBER about a year ago in the Philadelphia area; it used to be called CALENDAR GIRL, and it's kind of a horror/comedy, a very funny film. I play the director of a made-for-TV film based on real events that are happening in the movie: There's a guy going around killing a girl a month for this very sick calendar. And so, as the media does, they pick up on this and turn it into a movie of the week, and I'm this kind of heroin-addicted TV director trying to get this thing done; it's a pretty funny cameo. It's got myself, Corbin Bernsen and Gilbert Gottfried, and it recently got picked up by Phase 4 Films and SModcast Pictures, which is Kevin Smith's distribution label." Directed by Derek Lindeman from a script by Faith Brody, the movie will have its world premiere on Comcast On Demand November 1; see the trailer below, its official website [here](#) and its Facebook page [here](#).

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O'Halloran also took a small part in the straighter psycho feature MR. HUSH, released on DVD and Blu-ray last month by Horizon/Kino Lorber, and as he tells us, that bit may lead to a role in a potential follow-up. "I met the filmmaker, David Lee Madison, at the Eerie Horror Film Festival a couple of years ago; he came over to my table and told me about MR. HUSH, and wanted to get me involved in it. He had this idea for me to come in and to shoot a stinger for the sequel to this wonderful horror film, which is pretty much a throwback/'80s type of movie. It's not your typical SAW or HOSTEL kind of ultraviolent thing; it's more an old-school suspense/thriller, which I really appreciated. So I went out to where David lives and shot this stinger, which kind of leads into the next episode of MR. HUSH. And for the disc release, he

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asked me to come in and do the introduction with him, so I think the fans will enjoy that; we tried to have a little fun with that." While there are no concrete plans for a MR. HUSH sequel yet, O'Halloran says, "It'll depend on how well the first one is received; I'm sure Mr. Madison will keep me updated as it gets closer."

O'Halloran has been enjoying his trips down the horror lane, which have also included Steven Mena's BRUTAL MASSACRE and a small part in M. Night Shyamalan's THE HAPPENING. "I'm a fan of the genre to begin with, so being part of it is fun. I especially enjoy working with new filmmakers and new writers, and I can't wait to do a science fiction film eventually."