

Passion sends "Prospectors," "Timber Kings" abroad



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London-based Passion Distribution has inked a raft of deals that will see titles from its fact-ent and true crime catalog heading to international broadcasters across Europe, Southeast Asia and Australia.

In Italy, Discovery Networks Southern Europe has acquired more than 60 hours of content, including seasons two and three of the High Noon Entertainment-produced <u>Prospectors</u> (19 x 60 minutes) and the Peacock Productions-made Weather Gone Viral (8 x 60 minutes). From Passion's true crime slate, Discovery has taken Mail Order Murder (6 x 30 minutes), seasons one and two of <u>Stalked</u> (22 x 30 minutes), seasons one and two of <u>Frenemies</u> (23 x 30 and 1 x 60 minutes), as well as such hour-long documentary titles as *Escorts* and *The Rarest Boy in the World*.

France's RMC Découverte has picked up a package of more than 65 hours of programming, including seasons one through four of *Prospectors* (29 x 60 minutes and 9 x 30 minutes), seasons one to two of *Klondike Gold Fever* (2 x 60 minutes) and season three of <u>*Timber*</u> <u>*Kings*</u> (12 x 60 minutes). Also in France, AB Group has obtained *3 Scientists Walk into a Bar* (8 x 60 minutes) while TFI has taken *Tornado Alley* (12 x 60 minutes) for the Ushuaia Channel.

BBC Worldwide, meanwhile, has acquired seasons one and two of *Fat Guys in the Woods* (16 x 60 minutes) as well as *Heli-Loggers* (10 x 60 minutes) for Poland's BBC Brit channel. The commercial arm of the UK pubcaster has also licensed season 12 of *Traffic Cops* (5 x 60 minutes) for BBC Brit in Africa, as well as all seasons of *Traffic Cops* for UKTV in New Zealand.

Sony Pictures Entertainment has taken a number of hour-long true crime titles for its True Crime Channel in the UK, including *The Batman Shootings*; *Captive For 18 Years: The Jaycee Lee Story; Stacey Dooley: Beaten By My Boyfriend; Cutting Edge: The Black Widow; Wife, Mom & Bounty Hunter; Why Did Oscar Pistrorius Kill Our Daughter?*, and *The Cleveland Captives: What Really Happened?*.

Outside of Europe, Passion has sent season two of *<u>The Mind of a Murderer</u>* (6 x 60 minutes)