DEADLINE 'Van Helsing' Renewed For Second Season By Syfy

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Four episodes into *Van Helsing*'s freshman run, the new action-horror series has been renewed for a second season by Syfy. Production on the 13-episode second season is expected to begin January 2017. The announcement was made by series producer Nomadic Pictures and distributor Dynamic Television.

"We have a wonderful and terrifying road ahead planned for Vanessa, her allies and her enemies," said *Van Helsing* writer/showrunner Neil LaBute. "I think this is a world and a story that can be sustained for many years and I am inspired to do so thanks to Syfy's obvious trust and commitment in the storytellers, cast and crew."

After a catastrophic volcano eruption, the last remaining underground vampires rise up through a dark, ash-filled sky to overtake America. Vanessa Van Helsing (Kelly Overton), a descendant of the legendary line of vampire hunters, awakens from a three-year coma to discover that she's not only immune to the bloodthirsty predators – but also has the ability to make them human again. *Van Helsing* is a reimagination of the timeless Dracula brand and stars Overton, Jonathan Scarfe, Christopher Heyerdahl, David Cubitt, Vincent Gale, Rukiya Bernard, Trezzo Mahoro, Aleks Paunovic, Laura Mennell, Tim Guinee and Paul Johansson. Episode 5 of the series' first season airs tonight.

Van Helsing is produced by Nomadic Pictures, which also serves as the studio, with Syfy as co-producer. Executive producers are Chad Oakes and Mike Frislev from Nomadic Pictures, showrunner/writer LaBute, Simon Barry, Evan Tyler (Industry Works), Dave Brown and Zadoc Angell (Echo Lake Entertainment), as well as Daniel March (Dynamic Television). Dynamic Television is handling the worldwide distribution for the series, excluding first run U.S. television and Canada.