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Van Helsing Renewed for Season Two on Syfy

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LOS ANGELES: The Syfy original series Van Helsing has been renewed for a second season, with production on the 13 new episodes expected to begin in January 2017.

The hour-long drama, a Syfy co-production with Nomadic Pictures, is a re-imagination of the Dracula concept. The show centers on Vanessa Van Helsing (Kelly Overton, True Blood), a descendant of the legendary line of vampire hunters. Dynamic Television is handling the worldwide distribution for the series, excluding first-run U.S. television and Canada.

"It's with great pleasure and extreme excitement that all of us involved with Van Helsing receive the news of a pick-up for a second season, especially this early in our initial run," said showrunner Neil LaBute. "We have a wonderful and terrifying road ahead planned for Vanessa, her allies and her enemies. 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. The team is very thankful and ready to go—ready to get back on the road to Denver and to spill a lot of blood along the way."

"We could not be more thrilled to receive a second season nod from our friends at Syfy," added Chad Oakes, executive producer and cochairman of Nomadic Pictures. "The incredibly talented cast, director, and writers, all lead by our fearless leader Neil LaBute, worked tirelessly to deliver us an amazing first season. We cannot wait to roll up our sleeves and continue this journey together."

"The pulse of the vampire apocalypse beats into season two," said Michael Frislev, executive producer and co-chairman of Nomadic Pictures. "Congratulations to all the remarkable artists who have made this Van Helsing series so compellingly great. One of the best shows I have worked on in my career."

"We're so pleased to announce a second season of Van Helsing and extend our terrific partnership with Syfy and the phenomenal cast, crew and writers," added Daniel March, the managing partner of Dynamic Television. "To have the series already embraced by fans and critics alike is a strong testament to our talented team. We look forward to continuing their amazing storytelling and exploring more of Vanessa's very unique story."