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**Quinn Saunders and Team Receive Best Producer Award for *CHERRY*.  
at 11<sup>th</sup> Annual International Beverly Hills Film Festival**

**LOS ANGELES, Calif. (April 12, 2011)** – Sunday night at the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual International Beverly Hills Film Festival (BHFF) closing Gala Awards ceremony, the Best Producer Award was presented to producers Quinn Saunders, Brett Henenberg, John Nargiso, John Lutz and Executive Producer Robert Fligg for their collaboration and work on the film ***CHERRY***.

“We are all excited and honored to receive the BHFF Best Producer Award. And to have our state-side premiere in Los Angeles where the film was made and has been supported since Day One, that’s just icing on the cake,” states ***CHERRY***. Director/Producer Quinn Saunders.

Saunders’ first feature film production is a testament to the friendship and ability of its team of talented collaborators. ***CHERRY***. was filmed in Los Angeles over 18 days in January 2009 and through the use of state-of-the-art technology, is a film far more artistically accomplished than its humble budget might indicate.

***CHERRY***. made its U.S. premiere this week at BHFF having previously debuted at the Karlovy Vary International Film Festival in the Czech Republic in July 2010. Next up, the film heads to the east coast as a selection in the Charleston International Film Festival in South Carolina May 18 – 22.

***CHERRY***. is a suspense/drama about misogyny, male impotence and the darker sides of human nature. When Brian Cherry, a sweet, sensitive young Los Angeleno, falls for the beautiful, electric and damaged Jules, his ideas about women and sex are turned upside-down. Slowly, he is drawn into a twisted love-triangle that includes Jules and his best friend, Sam. When Jules eventually leaves him for Sam, Cherry decides on a shockingly violent course of action that destroys the lives of all three. ***CHERRY***. stars Rey Valentin (HBO’s *Generation Kill*), Lili Bordan (*Battlestar Gallactica: Blood and Chrome*), and co-writer David Crane.

For more on ***CHERRY***. and to view the trailer, visit [www.whoischerry.com](http://www.whoischerry.com).

**About Futurist Ape**

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