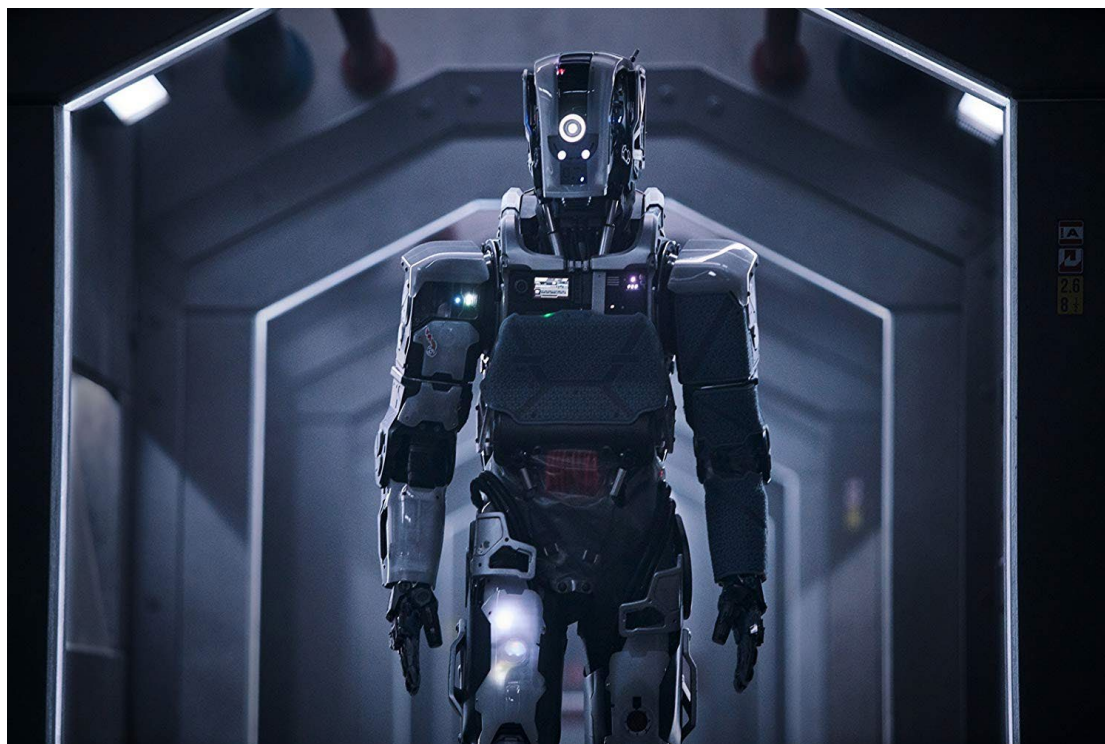


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Hilary Swank, will star in "I AM MOTHER"

Academy-Award® winning actress, Hilary Swank, will star in the highly anticipated sci-fi thriller I AM MOTHER.

A two-time Oscar® winner for her work in the critically acclaimed Boys Don't Cry (2000) and Million Dollar Baby (2005), Ms. Swank joins rising young actress Clara Rugaard (Good Favour, Teen Spirit) in the stylish, thought-provoking feature that brings a dark, electrifying edge to a unique mother-daughter story. Director Grant Sputore commented: "It is a privilege to welcome Hilary Swank to I AM MOTHER. She is a remarkable performer who always brings tremendous commitment and honesty to the screen."

I'm excited about the journey ahead with Hilary and the talented Clara Rugaard."

I AM MOTHER will be Grant Sputore's feature debut, following a run of award winning commercials. Sputore is joined by Steven Annis as director of photography whose DP credits include music videos for Pink, Lorde, Ed Sheeran, Taylor Swift, U2 and commercial work for Apple, Google and Nike.

The legendary special effects team at WETA Workshop (Avatar, The Lord of The Rings) has created the titular robot. Hugh Bateup leads production design (The Shallows, Sense8, Jupiter Ascending) with costume designer Mariot Kerr (Tracks, The Leftovers). Editor is Sean Lahiff (Cargo, Jungle).

Principal photography recently commenced at South Australia's Adelaide Studios.

Based on an original concept by director Grant Sputore and screenwriter Michael Lloyd Green, I AM MOTHER tells the story of a lonely teenage girl, 'Daughter' (Rugaard), who is the first of a new generation of humans raised by 'Mother' – a kindly robot designed to repopulate the earth following the extinction of mankind. But their unique bond is threatened when a blood-drenched woman (Swank) inexplicably arrives, calling into question everything Daughter has been told about the outside world - and her Mother's intentions.

Ms. Swank, an award-winning actress, and producer, previously starred in Tommy Lee Jones' critically acclaimed *The Homesman*, which debuted at the Cannes Film Festival, *Freedom Writers*, *Conviction*, and the international box office hit *P.S. I Love You*. She was recently seen in Steven Soderbergh's comedy *Logan Lucky*. She will next be seen in Danny Boyle's television series *Trust* starring as Gail Getty, the mother of kidnapped heir John Paul Getty III. Ms. Swank is represented by WME.

I AM MOTHER is produced by Southern Light Films' Timothy White and The Penguin Empire's Kelvin Munro. Anna Vincent and Michael Lloyd Green co-produce.

Executive producers on the film are Paris Kasidokostas-Latsis, Terry Douglas and Jean-Luc De Fanti from Rhea Films (*Good Time* and *American Made*) along with Bryce Menzies, Philip Wade, John Wade and Grant Sputore.

I AM MOTHER is an Australian production financed by Hercules Film Investments with major investment from Screen Australia and the South Australian Film Corporation in association with Adelaide Film Festival, Screenwest, Lotterywest, Fin VFX, Blockhead and Kojo.

Mister Smith Entertainment is handling international sales, with WME Global's Graham Taylor overseeing U.S. sales. Studiocanal is handling distribution in Australia and New Zealand.