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# JOHN AND THE HOLE DROPS INTO UK AND IRISH CINEMAS



## DEXTER STAR MICHAEL C. HALL CONFRONTS AN UNEXPECTED FOE IN JOHN AND THE HOLE, RELEASED IN THE UK AND IRELAND ON 8TH OCTOBER

"[A] foreboding and crisply shot psychological thriller" Sight & Sound

"Calculated and precise and meticulously constructed" Variety

"Darkly intense and seductively dangerous - 4 stars" The Hollywood News

**14 September 2021, London UK -** Vertigo Releasing has announced that the striking psychological horror-thriller **JOHN AND THE HOLE** will be released in cinemas and on digital platforms in the UK and Ireland on 8th October. The film recently had its UK premiere at FrightFest.

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From debut filmmaker and artist Pascual Sisto and Academy Award-winning writer Nicolás Giacobone (Oscar winner for his script for 2014's *Birdman*), the film co-stars top-rank genre actors Michael C. Hall (*Dexter*), Jennifer Ehle (*Saint Maud*), and Taissa Farmiga (*American Horror Story*), and features a breakout performance by Charlie Shotwell in an enigmatic meditation on what it means to grow up.

A dark fable - imagine Home Alone reworked by Michael Haneke - that dwells in the shadows of adolescent angst and imagination, JOHN AND THE HOLE follows an affluent family that suffers a rude awakening at the hands of the film's protagonist. With its unique and chilling premise, you'll be desperate to find out how it ends.

Recalling recent indie psychological horrors A Hole In The Ground, I Am Not A Serial *Killer*, and *Goodnight Mommy*, this brilliantly astute and assured debut echoes the work of director Yorgos Lanthimos, but with an eerie, detached style all of its own, confirming director Sisto as "a talent to watch" (The Hollywood Reporter).

**Synopsis:** 13 year-old John decides to hold his affluent family captive in an underground bunker behind their house. Left without supervision, John experiences newfound independence, exploring the difficult passage from childhood freedom to adult responsibility in this chilling psychological horror-thriller.

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