

Fox marks 'Hitman 2' team

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Fox has targeted director Daniel Benmayer and writer Daniel Casey to work on "Hitman 2," the sequel to the studio's 2007 video game adaptation.

The original movie centered on a genetically engineered elite assassin known as Agent 47, played by Timothy Olyphant. Whether the actor will return remains up in the air.

Adrian Askarieh, Chuck Gordon and Alex Young are producing; Daniel Alter is executive producing.

Casey's first film was "The

Death of Michael Smith," the 2007 Slamdance Film Festival Grand Jury Prize winner, but his name made the Hollywood rounds when he wrote the spec script "Jimmy Six," which made last year's Black List. He is repped by WME and Circle of Confusion.

Benmayer, repped by Verve and Anonymous Content, is a Spanish commercials director who made the low-budget horror movie "Paintball." He is in post-production on "Bruc," a Spanish-language period action movie that revolves around Napoleon sending six mercenaries to kill a drummer boy responsible for a defeat. **THR**



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