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Take a first look at Cleverman

Following the international premiere of the highly anticipated ABC drama **Cleverman** at the Berlin Film Festival overnight, ABC TV has released a first look of the series.

The stars of **Cleverman** walked the red carpet at Berlinale before attending a full-house screening of the first two episodes of the series.

In attendance were cast members Deborah Mailman, Frances O'Connor, Hunter Page-Lochard, Tasma Walton, Stef Dawson as well as Wayne Blair (director), Ryan Griffen (concept originator) plus Rosemary Blight and Angela Littlejohn (producers).

The series is set in the near future, where a species from ancient mythology must live amongst humans and battle for survival in a world that wants to silence, exploit and destroy them. At the heart of the story are two estranged brothers, Koen (Hunter Page-Lochard) and Waruu West (Rob Collins), who are forced together to fight against terrifying enemies, both human and not of this world. But can Koen, a man bestowed with a powerful gift and destined to become the Cleverman, learn to harness his power before everything around him crumbles?

By turns smart, sexy, thought-provoking and startlingly original, **Cleverman** combines compelling character-driven storytelling with powerful themes and thrilling action, to appeal to all audiences.

Directed by Wayne Blair (*The Sapphires*, *Septembers of Shiraz*) and Leah Purcell, an acclaimed ensemble cast includes Scottish actor Iain Glen (*Game of Thrones*), Golden Globe nominee Frances O'Connor (*The Missing*), Logie Award-winner Deborah Mailman (*The Sapphires*), Hunter Page-Lochard (*The Sapphires*), Rob Collins (*The Lion King*) and Stef Dawson (*The Hungers Games*).

Creatures and effects are by Jacob Nash (Bangarra Dance Theatre) and world-renowned Weta Workshop (*Lord of the Rings* trilogy, *The Hobbit* trilogy, *King Kong*, *Avatar*).

Based on an original concept by Ryan Griffen; Written by Michael Miller, Jon Bell, Jane Allen; Produced by Goalpost Pictures and Pukeko Pictures for ABC TV in co-production with SundanceTV and Red Arrow International with the assistance of Screen Australia, Screen NSW and the New Zealand Screen Production Grant.

Cleverman will screen on ABC TV later in 2016.

To view first look clip, click on the link: <https://youtu.be/hClnkckfzQ>

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