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# BENEATH THE HARVEST SKY TO HAVE EXCLUSIVE MAINE THEATRICAL PREVIEW ENGAGEMENT BEGINNING APRIL 25

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### Platform theatrical release begins May 2 in New York; available on demand starting April 15

"...heartbreakingly authentic, vividly realized account of adolescent frustration and yearning..."

- Variety, Peter Debruge

**New York, NY – February 18, 2014** – Tribeca Film announced today it will be releasing recent Gotham Independent Film Award-winner Gita Pullapilly and Aron Gaudet's small-town feature *Beneath the Harvest Sky* theatrically on May 2, 2014, which will also be available on cable/telco and satellite video-on-demand and digital platforms starting April 15, 2014. The release will be preceded by an exclusive preview engagement in Maine, the home state to the filmmakers and the setting of the film, starting on April 25. The duo's acclaimed narrative feature debut showcases an ensemble of rising talent, including Emory Cohen (*Place Beyond the Pines*), Callan McAuliffe (*The Great Gatsby*), Zoe Levin (*The Way, Way Back*) and Aidan Gillen ("The Wire," "Game of Thrones"). Gita Pullapilly and Aron Gaudet were recently selected by *Variety* for the 2013 edition of their "Top 10 Directors to Watch" list.

"As a teenager growing up in a small town in Maine, and an avid film goer, I was always watching and waiting for the films opening in New York City to finally make their way to my nearest theatre," said codirector Aron Gaudet. "Now, as a Maine-based filmmaker with a movie being released nationwide, it was very important to me that the people of Maine would have the same opportunities to see *Beneath The Harvest Sky* as anyone else in the country. The fact that they now have the chance to see it in theatres first—before anyone else—is even better!"

Casper (Emory Cohen) and Dominic (Callan McAuliffe) have been fiercely loyal friends since childhood. Desperate for a way out of their quiet town on the Maine-Canada border, the boys make a pact to pool their earnings on a car and hit the road. But when Casper is drawn into drug smuggling with his outlaw father (Aidan Gillen) to pay his share, their friendship is pushed to the brink and adult choices are forced on them all too soon. A standout narrative debut from Aron Gaudet and Gita Pullapilly, *Beneath The Harvest Sky* is a gripping coming-of-age thriller set against a layered and authentic portrait of smalltown American life.

Bar Harbor, ME residents Aron Gaudet and Gita Pullapilly have spent over 10 years capturing stories in Maine. In 2009 they released their Emmy-nominated documentary *The Way We Get By*, which profiled the Maine Troop Greeters of Bangor.

"As Maine-based filmmakers, we are so fortunate to have the support of the community to champion us as artists," Pullapilly said. "We can't wait for people in Maine to see the film. We hope we made them proud."

The film was produced by Aron Gaudet, Gita Pullapilly and Kavita Pullapilly.

**Editor's note:** Press materials for the film can be accessed at <a href="http://tribecafilm.com/press-center/tribeca-film/films/52de92c585286243cc000001">http://tribecafilm.com/press-center/tribeca-film/films/52de92c585286243cc000001</a>.

# Beneath the Harvest Sky opening dates and cities \*please note that additional dates will be announced in the coming weeks

April 25	Bar Harbor, ME	Reel Pizza Cinerama
April 25	Portland, ME	Nickelodeon Cinemas
April 25	Waterville, ME	Railroad Square Cinema
April 25	Bangor, ME	Bangor Mall Cinemas
April 25	Caribou, ME	Caribou Theatres
April 25	Bucksport, ME	Alamo Theatre
April 25	Belfast, ME	Colonial Theatre
April 25	Houlton, ME	Temple Theater
May 2	New York, NY	Cinema Village
May 8	Hartford, CT	The Wadsworth Atheneum
May 9	New Haven, CT	<b>Bow Tie Criterion Cinemas</b>
May 9	Rockland, ME	Strand Theatre
May 9	Santa Fe, NM	Jean Cocteau Cinema
May 21	Stonington, ME	Stonington Opera House

#### **About Tribeca Film**

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