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## **NETFLIX GREENLIGHTS NEW *STRANGER THINGS* ANIMATED SERIES**

**From The Duffer Brothers, 21 Laps, Flying Bark Productions and Eric Robles**

- Netflix today announced a series order for a new untitled animated series set within the Duffer Brothers' *Stranger Things* universe and developed by Flying Bark Productions and Executive Producer Eric Robles.
- **Executive Producers:** The Duffer Brothers on behalf of Upside Down Pictures, Shawn Levy and Dan Cohen on behalf of 21 Laps, and Eric Robles on behalf of Flying Bark Productions.
- **QUOTE:**
  - The Duffer Brothers: "We've always dreamed of an animated *Stranger Things* in the vein of the Saturday morning cartoons that we grew up loving, and to see this dream realized has been absolutely thrilling. We couldn't be more blown away by what Eric Robles and his team have come up with -- the scripts and artwork are incredible, and we can't wait to share more with you! The adventure continues..."

### **About Netflix**

Netflix is one of the world's leading entertainment services with 231 million paid memberships in over 190 countries enjoying TV series, films and games across a wide variety of genres and languages. Members can play, pause and resume watching as much as they want, anytime, anywhere, and can change their plans at any time.

### **About The Duffer Brothers**

The Duffer Brothers are the creators of the worldwide phenomenon *STRANGER THINGS*. They write, direct, and are executive producers on the series, which is Netflix's most popular English-language series of all time, with the most recent fourth season accumulating 1.35 billion viewing hours in its first 28 days. In 2022, The Duffer Brothers announced the launch of their production company, Upside Down Pictures. In addition to the expansion of the *STRANGER THINGS* franchise via the newly announced West End production of *STRANGER THINGS: THE FIRST SHADOW*, directed by Stephen Daldry and written by Kate Trefry, the company has multiple projects in development, including a live-action series adaptation of *DEATH NOTE* and an original series from creators Jeffrey Addiss & Will Matthews. The Duffer Brothers broke out in late 2011 with their horror-thriller script *HIDDEN*, which they directed for Warner Brothers. They subsequently wrote and were executive producers on M. Night Shyamalan's television show *WAYWARD PINES*.

### **About 21 Laps**

Shawn Levy's 21 Laps is one of the most prolific production companies of the past decade. Their projects have consistently garnered massive worldwide success, including the multi-Oscar-nominated Arrival and the award-winning Netflix series Stranger Things. The fourth season of Stranger Things which aired in 2022, broke records as Netflix's most popular English-language TV show and was 2022's Most Streamed series. 21 Laps also produced Netflix's Most Streamed Movie of 2022, The Adam Project, which Levy also directed. 21 Laps released their hit action-comedy Free Guy in August of 2021, which was the most successful original film of that year.

21 Laps Entertainment is currently in post-production on the Netflix limited series All The Light We Cannot See, which Levy directed, based on the Bestselling Pulitzer Prize-winning novel of the same name and starring Hugh Laurie and Mark Ruffalo. Upcoming projects from 21 Laps include Stephen King's The Boogeyman, as well as Crater on Disney+. Current 21 Laps productions range from the Lionsgate feature film Never Let Go, starring Halle Berry and the upcoming new Deadpool movie, starring Ryan Reynolds, Hugh Jackman and Emma Corrin and which Levy is also directing.

### **About Flying Bark Productions**

Flying Bark Productions is a prolific independent producer of family-focused animated content. With studio locations in Sydney and LA and partner studios all around the world, Flying Bark operates as a full-service production facility for award-winning original independent feature films and series as well providing world-class animation services for global clients. Flying Bark continues to grow its world class animation team across CG, 2D and CG/2D hybrid productions. With over 400 employees, Flying Bark has quickly become one of the most sought-after studios around the world for traditional frame-by-frame and CG animation. Flying Bark Productions is wholly owned by media and theme park group Studio 100 which is headquartered in Belgium.

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