



James Cameron, Universal Pictures, Relativity Media and Wayfare Entertainment's Sanctum Opens in IMAX(R) Theatres This Friday

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IMAX(R) 3D Release of Sanctum Opens on More Than 194 IMAX Screens

LOS ANGELES, Feb 1, 2011 (GlobeNewswire via COMTEX) --

IMAX Corporation (Nasdaq:IMAX) (TSX:IMX), and Universal Pictures today announced that the 3D epic underwater adventure Sanctum, from three-time Oscar(R)-winning executive producer James Cameron, will be released in the immersive IMAX(R) 3D format on Friday, February 4. The film will open on 178 IMAX screens domestically, simultaneous with its North American wide release. Sanctum will also open on at least 16 IMAX screens internationally this Friday. Additional international playdates are expected to be booked in the coming days.

Sanctum: An IMAX 3D Experience has been digitally re-mastered into the image and sound quality of The IMAX Experience(R) with proprietary IMAX DMR(R) (Digital Re-mastering) technology for presentation in IMAX 3D. The crystal-clear images, coupled with IMAX's customized theatre geometry and powerful digital audio, create a unique immersive environment that will make audiences feel as if they are in the movie.

About Sanctum:

The 3D action-thriller Sanctum from director Alister Grierson follows a team of underwater cave divers on a treacherous expedition to the largest, most beautiful and least accessible cave system on Earth. When a tropical storm forces them deep into the caverns, they must fight raging water, deadly terrain and creeping panic as they search for an unknown escape route to the sea.

Master diver Frank McGuire (Richard Roxburgh) has explored the South Pacific's Esa-ala Caves for months. But when his exit is cut off in a flash flood, Frank's team-including 17-year-old son Josh (Rhys Wakefield) and financier Carl Hurlley (Ioan Gruffudd) are forced to radically alter plans. With dwindling supplies, the crew must navigate an underwater labyrinth to make it out. Soon, they are confronted with the unavoidable question: Can they survive, or will they be trapped forever?

Shot on location off the Gold Coast in Queensland, Australia, Sanctum employs 3D photography techniques Cameron developed to lens Avatar. Designed to operate in extreme environments, the technology used to shoot the action-thriller will bring audiences on a breathless journey across plunging cliffs and into the furthest reaches of our subterranean world. www.sanctummovie.com

Opening nationwide in theatres and IMAX, the film will be presented in 3D and distributed in domestic and select international markets by Universal Pictures.

The film has been rated "R" by the MPAA for language, some violence and disturbing images.

Sanctum: An IMAX 3D Experience is scheduled to play day-and-date at the following IMAX theatres beginning February 4:

UNITED STATES

Alabama ☐

Birmingham -- Rave Patton Creek 15 + IMAX

Alaska ☐

Anchorage -- Regal Tikahtnu Stadium 16 & IMAX

Fairbanks -- Regal Goldstream Stadium 16 &

IMAX ☐

Arizona ☐

Glendale -- AMC Westgate 20 with IMAX

Mesa -- Dickinson Gateway 12 IMAX Theatre

Phoenix -- AMC Deer Valley 30 with IMAX

Phoenix -- AMC Desert Ridge 18 with IMAX

Tucson -- AMC Foothills 15 with IMAX

Arkansas ☐

Little Rock -- Dickinson Chenal 9 IMAX

Theatre ☐

California ☐

Alhambra -- Regal Renaissance Stadium 14 &

IMAX ☐

Aliso Viejo -- Regal Aliso Viejo Stadium 20 &

IMAX ☐

Arcadia -- AMC Santa Anita 16 with IMAX

Burbank -- AMC Burbank 30 with IMAX
Camarillo -- Regal Camarillo Palace Stadium
12 & IMAX
Covina -- AMC Covina 30 with IMAX
Cupertino -- AMC Cupertino Square 16 with
IMAX □
El Dorado Hills -- Regal El Dorado Hills
Stadium 14 & IMAX
Emeryville -- AMC Bay Street 16 with IMAX
Escondido -- Regal Escondido Stadium 16 &
IMAX □
Fairfield -- Regal Fairfield Stadium 16 &
IMAX □
Long Beach -- Regal Long Beach Stadium 26 &
IMAX □
Los Angeles -- AMC Century City 15 with IMAX
National City -- AMC Plaza Bonita 14 with
IMAX □
Orange -- AMC 30 At The Block with IMAX
Riverside -- AMC Tyler Galleria 16 with IMAX
Rowland Heights -- AMC Puente Hills 20 with
IMAX □
San Diego -- AMC Mission Valley 20 with IMAX
San Diego -- AMC Palm Promenade 24 with IMAX
San Diego -- Regal Mira Mesa Stadium 18 &
IMAX □
San Jose -- AMC Eastridge Mall 15 with IMAX
Santa Clara -- AMC Mercado 20 with IMAX
Santa Clarita -- Regal Valencia Stadium 12 &
IMAX □
Simi Valley -- Regal Civic Center Stadium 16
& IMAX
South Gate -- Regal South Gate Stadium 20 &
IMAX □
Stockton -- Regal City Centre Stadium 16 &
IMAX □
Temecula -- Regal Temecula Stadium 15 & IMAX
Torrance -- AMC Del Amo 18 with IMAX
Woodland Hills -- AMC Promenade 16 with IMAX
Colorado □
Highlands Ranch -- AMC Highlands Ranch 24 &
IMAX □
Westminster -- AMC Orchard 12 with IMAX
Westminster -- AMC Westminster Promenade 24
with IMAX
Connecticut □
Manchester -- Rave Buckland Hills 18 + IMAX
Milford -- Rave Connecticut Post 14 + IMAX
Plainville -- AMC Plainville 20 with IMAX
Florida □
Altamonte Springs -- AMC Altamonte Mall 18
with IMAX
Aventura -- AMC Aventura 24 with IMAX
Brandon -- AMC The Regency 20 with IMAX
Destin -- Rave Destin Commons 14 + IMAX
Fort Myers -- Regal Gulf Coast Town Center
Stadium 16 & IMAX
Jacksonville -- AMC Regency 24 with IMAX
Lakeland -- Lakeside 18 & IMAX
Oldsmar -- AMC Woodlands Square 20 with IMAX
Orange Park -- AMC Orange Park 24 with IMAX
Orlando -- AMC Universal Cineplex 20 with
IMAX □
Orlando -- Regal Waterford Lakes Stadium 20 &
IMAX □
South Miami -- AMC Sunset Place 24 with IMAX

St. Augustine -- World Golf Village IMAX
St. Petersburg -- Muvico Baywalk 19 & IMAX
Sunrise -- Regal Sawgrass Stadium 23 & IMAX
Tallahassee -- AMC Tallahassee Mall 20 with
IMAX ☐
Tampa -- AMC Veterans 24 with IMAX
West Palm Beach -- Muvico Parisian 20 & IMAX
Georgia ☐
Atlanta -- Regal Atlantic Station 16 & IMAX
Augusta -- Regal Augusta Exchange Stadium 20
& IMAX
Kennesaw -- AMC Barrett Commons 24 with IMAX
Morrow -- AMC Southlake Pavilion 24 with IMAX
Hawaii ☐
Honolulu -- Regal Dole Cannery 18 & IMAX
Illinois ☐
Batavia -- Goodrich Randall 15 IMAX
Hodgkins -- AMC Quarry Cinemas 14 with IMAX
Lombard -- AMC Yorktown 17 with IMAX
Naperville -- AMC Showplace 16 Naperville
with IMAX
Schaumburg -- AMC Streets of Woodfield 20
with IMAX
Skokie -- AMC Showplace Village Crossing 18
with IMAX
South Barrington -- AMC Barrington 30 with
IMAX ☐
Indiana ☐
Evansville -- Showplace East 18 & IMAX
Indianapolis -- AMC Showplace 16 with IMAX
Noblesville -- Goodrich Hamilton 16 IMAX
Portage -- Goodrich Portage 16 IMAX
Iowa ☐
Davenport -- Rave Davenport 53rd 18 + IMAX
Kansas ☐
Leawood -- AMC Town Center 20 with IMAX
Olathe -- AMC Studio 30 with IMAX
Wichita -- Warren 17 with IMAX
Kentucky ☐
Louisville -- Rave Stonybrook 20 + IMAX
Newport -- AMC Newport Levee 20 with IMAX
Louisiana ☐
Harahan -- AMC Elmwood Palace 20 with IMAX
Maine ☐
Saco -- Cinemagic & IMAX in Saco
Maryland ☐
Baltimore -- AMC Loews White Marsh 16 with
IMAX ☐
Columbia -- AMC Columbia 14 with IMAX
Silver Spring -- Regal Majestic Stadium 20 &
IMAX ☐
Massachusetts ☐
Boston -- AMC Loews Boston Common 19 with
IMAX ☐
Danvers -- AMC Liberty Tree Mall 20 with IMAX
Methuen -- AMC Methuen 20 with IMAX
Randolph -- Showcase Randolph 16 & IMAX
Michigan ☐
Auburn Hills -- AMC Star Great Lakes 25 with
IMAX ☐
Grand Blanc -- NCG Trillium Cinema & IMAX
Lansing -- Celebration Lansing 19 + IMAX
Livonia -- AMC Livonia 20 with IMAX
Sterling Heights -- AMC Forum 30 with IMAX
Ypsilanti -- Rave Ann Arbor 20 IMAX
Minnesota ☐

Eden Prairie -- AMC Eden Prairie Mall 18 with
IMAX □
Edina -- AMC Southdale 16 with IMAX
Maple Grove -- AMC Arbor Lakes 16 with IMAX
Roseville -- AMC Rosedale 14 with IMAX
Missouri □
Hazelwood -- Regal St. Louis Mills 18 & IMAX
Independence -- AMC Independence Commons 20
with IMAX
Kansas City -- AMC BarryWoods 24 with IMAX
Nebraska □
Omaha -- AMC Oakview Plaza 24 with IMAX
Nevada □
Henderson -- Regal Sunset Station Stadium 13
& IMAX
Las Vegas -- Regal Red Rock Stadium 16 & IMAX
North Las Vegas -- Regal Aliante Stadium 16 &
IMAX □
New Hampshire
Hooksett -- Cinemagic & IMAX in Hooksett
New Jersey
Cherry Hill -- AMC Loews Cherry Hill 24 with
IMAX □
Elizabeth -- AMC Jersey Gardens 20 with IMAX
Hamilton -- AMC Hamilton 24 with IMAX
New Brunswick -- AMC Loews New Brunswick 18
with IMAX
Paramus -- AMC Garden State 16 with IMAX
Rockaway -- AMC Rockaway 16 with IMAX
New York
Albany -- Regal Crossgates Mall 18 & IMAX
Brooklyn -- Regal Sheepshead Bay 14 & IMAX
Deer Park -- Regal Deer Park Stadium 16 &
IMAX □
New York City -- AMC 34th Street 14 with IMAX
New York City -- AMC Empire 25 with IMAX
New York City -- AMC Kips Bay 15 with IMAX
Port Chester -- AMC Port Chester 14 with IMAX
Stony Brook -- AMC Stony Brook 17 with IMAX
White Plains -- National Amusements City
Center 15 IMAX
Williamsville -- Regal Transit Center Stadium
18 & IMAX
North Carolina
Cary -- Regal Crossroads Stadium 20 & IMAX
Charlotte -- Regal Stonecrest At Piper Glen
Stadium 22 & IMAX
Concord -- AMC Concord Mills 24 with IMAX
Raleigh -- Marbles Kids Museum Wachovia IMAX
Theatre □
Ohio □
Beavercreek -- Rave The Greene 14 + IMAX
Columbus -- AMC Easton Town Center 30 with
IMAX □
Columbus -- AMC Lennox Town Center 24 with
IMAX □
Springdale -- Showcase Springdale IMAX 16
Westlake -- Regal Crocker Park Stadium 16 &
IMAX □
Oklahoma □
Oklahoma City -- AMC Quail Springs 24 with
IMAX □
Tulsa -- AMC Southroads 20 with IMAX
Oregon □
Tigard -- Regal Bridgeport Village Stadium 18
& IMAX

Pennsylvania ☐

Bensalem -- AMC Neshaminy 24 with IMAX
Dickson City -- Great Escape Dickson City 14
IMAX ☐
Homestead -- AMC Waterfront 22 with IMAX
Lititz -- Penn Cinema IMAX
Philadelphia -- AMC Franklin Mills 14 with
IMAX ☐
Reading -- RC Reading Movies 11 & IMAX
South Carolina
Charleston -- Citadel Mall Stadium 16 with
IMAX ☐
Simpsonville -- Great Escape 14 & IMAX
Tennessee ☐
Chattanooga -- Rave East Ridge 18 + IMAX
Knoxville -- Regal Pinnacle Stadium Cinemas
17 & IMAX

Texas ☐

Arlington -- AMC The Parks At Arlington 18
with IMAX
Dallas -- AMC Northpark 15 with IMAX
Frisco -- AMC Stonebriar 24 with IMAX
Garland -- AMC Firewheel 18 with IMAX
Houston -- AMC Gulf Pointe 30 with IMAX
Mesquite -- AMC Mesquite 30 with IMAX
Sugar Land -- AMC First Colony 24 with IMAX
Tomball -- Santikos Silverado 19 IMAX
Utah ☐

Sandy -- Megaplex 17 & IMAX at Jordan Commons
South Jordan -- Megaplex 20 & IMAX at The
District ☐

Virginia ☐

Alexandria -- AMC Hoffman Center 22 with IMAX
Hampton -- AMC Hampton Towne Centre 24 with
IMAX ☐
Hampton -- Virginia Air and Space Center IMAX
Theater ☐
McLean -- AMC Tysons Corner 16 with IMAX
Midlothian -- Regal Commonwealth 20 & IMAX
Virginia Beach -- AMC Lynnhaven 18 with IMAX
Woodbridge -- AMC Potomac Mills 18 with IMAX
Washington ☐

Bellevue -- Lincoln Square Cinemas IMAX
Theatre ☐

Kent -- AMC Kent Station 14 with IMAX
Lacey -- Regal Martin Village Stadium 16 &
IMAX ☐

Lynnwood -- AMC Alderwood Mall 16 with IMAX
Seattle -- Regal Thornton Place Stadium 14 &
IMAX ☐

Spokane -- AMC River Park Square 20 with IMAX
Tukwila -- AMC Southcenter 16 with IMAX
Wisconsin ☐

Wauwatosa -- AMC Mayfair Mall 18 with IMAX

CANADA ☐

Ontario ☐

Kanata -- AMC Kanata 24 with IMAX
Mississauga -- AMC Courtney Park 16 with IMAX
Toronto -- Cineplex Scotiabank Theatre
Toronto & IMAX
Whitby -- AMC Whitby 24 with IMAX

INTERNATIONAL ☐

Australia ☐

Melbourne -- Highpoint Hoyts IMAX**

Perth -- Carousel Hoyts IMAX**
Sydney -- Entertainment Quarter Hoyts IMAX**
Brazil □
Curitiba -- Dom Bosco IMAX Palladium Shopping
Center □
Sao Paulo -- Espaço Unibanco Pompeia
IMAX □
India □
Mumbai -- Big Cinemas IMAX Theatre
United Kingdom
Cardiff -- Odeon Cardiff Bay IMAX
Gateshead -- Odeon Metrocentre IMAX
Greenwich -- Odeon Greenwich IMAX
Liverpool -- Odeon Liverpool ONE IMAX
London -- Odeon Kingston IMAX
Norwich -- Odeon Norwich IMAX
Renfrew -- Odeon Braehead IMAX
Southampton -- Odeon Southampton IMAX
Uxbridge -- Odeon Uxbridge IMAX
Wimbledon -- Odeon Wimbledon IMAX

Please check local listings or IMAX.com for final theatre listings, launch dates and showtimes.

** denotes earlier launch * denotes later launch

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IMAX Corporation is one of the world's leading entertainment and technology companies, specializing in the creation and delivery of premium, awe-inspiring entertainment experiences. With a growing suite of cutting-edge motion picture and sound technologies, and a globally recognized entertainment brand, IMAX is singularly situated at the convergence of the entertainment industry, innovation and the digital media world. The industry's top filmmakers and studios are utilizing IMAX theatres to connect with audiences in extraordinary ways, and as such, the IMAX network is among the most important and successful theatrical distribution platforms for major event films around the globe. The Company's new digital projection and sound systems - combined with a growing blockbuster film slate - are fueling the rapid expansion of the IMAX network in established markets such as North America, Western Europe, and Japan, as well as emerging markets such as China and Russia. IMAX theatres deliver the world's best cinematic presentations using proprietary IMAX, IMAX 3D, and IMAX DMR (Digital Re-Mastering) technologies. IMAX DMR enables virtually any motion picture to be transformed into the unparalleled image and sound quality of The IMAX Experience.

IMAX is headquartered in New York, Toronto and Los Angeles, with offices in London, Tokyo and Shanghai. As of September 30, 2010, there were 470 IMAX theatres (348 commercial, 122 institutional) operating in 45 countries.

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