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NETFLIX'S *PIECES OF HER* SECURED FOR SYDNEY THROUGH NSW GOVERNMENT'S MADE IN NSW FUND

Netflix's *Pieces of Her* will call NSW home, with the new series delivering 400 local jobs and contributing an estimated \$58 million to the state's economy.

This major international production, starring Emmy and Golden Globe-winning actress Toni Collette and acclaimed actor David Wenham, will be filmed in Western Sydney. The Executive Producer is Bruna Papandrea from *Made Up Stories* (*Wild*, *Big Little Lies*, *The Undoing*).

Minister for the Arts, Don Harwin said securing the eight-episode Netflix adaptation of New York Times bestselling thriller from internationally renowned crime author Karin Slaughter was a huge win for the NSW screen industry.

"Through the NSW Government's Made in NSW fund, and with our successful management of the COVID-19 pandemic making NSW a highly attractive place to film. We are sending a clear message that we are open for business, a safe location to film, and keen to welcome great opportunities to the state.

"Netflix's *Pieces of Her* will deliver a substantial investment to the State's economy and provide a significant amount of work for local cast and crew along with catering, security and other on-set operations," said Mr Harwin.

The production team will work with Screen NSW, Ausfilm and the Australian Film Television and Radio School on industry training needs and opportunities for talented emerging filmmakers to work on the production.

Production of *Pieces of Her* in Australia is made possible through the Australian Federal Government's Location Incentive program and the support of Screen NSW's Made in NSW Fund.

Debra Richards, APAC Director of Production Policy for Netflix, said "We greatly appreciate the support of the Australian Government through its Location Incentive program, together with the NSW Government to secure this production which will deliver significant contributions to Australia's screen industry and economy. We're looking forward to working with more of Australia's great talent and crew, as well as the award-winning production service businesses.

Toni Collette said "Given the challenges the film and television industry has faced this year on a global level, I am thrilled that the producers and Netflix have been able to relocate *Pieces of Her* to film in Australia so that production can remain on track

and this story can be told. On a personal level, for me, it also brings with it the great joy of shooting at home in Australia.”

Made in NSW, the NSW Government’s \$175 million fund over five years, is managed by Screen NSW to attract international film and television production to the State and support major new Australian TV drama and feature films.

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About *Pieces of Her*

Emmy and Golden Globe-winning actress, Toni Collette (*Unbelievable, Knives Out*) will star as Laura Oliver in Netflix’s 8-episode dramatic thriller series, *Pieces of Her*.

In a sleepy Georgia town, a random act of violence sets off an unexpected chain of events for 30-year-old Andy Oliver and her mother Laura. Desperate for answers, Andy embarks on a dangerous journey across America, drawing her towards the dark, hidden heart of her family.

Lovely, empathetic, modest – at first glance, Laura Oliver seems to be the perfect Southern woman, devoted to her work as a speech pathologist and to her disaffected daughter, Andy. But when the ghosts of Laura’s past put her life in jeopardy, we discover there is more to Laura than meets the eye.

Pieces of Her is based on New York Times bestselling thriller from internationally renowned crime author Karin Slaughter and published by William Morrow. Her books have been published in 37 languages and sold over 35 million copies around the world. She has written over 18 novels including New York Times bestsellers *Pretty Girls* and *The Good Daughter*.

Minkie Spiro (*Plot Against America, Dead to Me, Fosse/Verdon*) will direct the season.

Writer/Showrunner/Executive Producer is Charlotte Stoudt (*Homeland, Fosse/Verdon*).

Executive Producers include Bruna Papandrea, Steve Hutensky, Casey Haver from *Made Up Stories*, and Karin Slaughter, Janice Williams, Minkie Spiro, and Lesli Linka Glatter