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NINE COMMISSIONS NEW DRAMA FOR 2019

The Nine Network and Screen Australia announced today a new Australian drama series for 2019, ***Bad Mothers***.

Some mothers are perfect with a beautiful home and the perfect family but sometimes behind that pristine picket fence, there's a world of dirty ... little ... secrets.

Four very different mother's lives will collide. Outsiders in a storm of suspicion and danger and when this sisterhood comes together it's murder.

Four critically acclaimed actors will shake up Australian television. **Jessica Marais** (*Love Child, Wrong Girl*), **Mandy McElhinney** (*Love Child, Hyde & Seek*), **Shalom Brune-Franklin** (*Doctor Doctor, Our Girl*) and **Jessica Tovey** (*Wolf Creek, Wonderland*).

Bad Mothers, produced by Jungle Entertainment, the makers of comedy hit *Here Come the Habibs*, and Filthy Productions will comprise eight episodes and will commence filming in October 2018 in Melbourne.

Andy Ryan and **Jo Rooney**, Nine's Co-Heads of Drama, say: "When the going gets tough, our *Bad Mothers* will stick together. Whether they're juggling the highs and lows of parenthood, careers, love and even murder, Australia's new best friends lead the way with charm, smarts, and a shameless bad attitude."

Sally Caplan, Head of Production at Screen Australia adds: "It's fantastic to see some of Australia's strongest TV writers coming on board for this female-led ensemble piece. Writers Rachel Lang, Sarah Walker, Gavin Strawhan, Tim Lee and Phil Lloyd have created a genuine and relatable script about the challenges of modern parenthood, with humour and heart."

"We're particularly excited to see production company Jungle Entertainment carry out their first one-hour format series, and with the track record of the writers and producers working on this project, we have no doubt *Bad Mothers* will be one of 2019's must see new series."

Bad Mothers produced by Jungle Entertainment and Filthy Productions for Nine. Principal production investment from Nine, in association with Screen Australia. Financed with support from Create NSW.

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