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SLR PRODUCTIONS GREENLIGHTS 'CAPTAIN FLINN AND THE PIRATE DINOSAURS'

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Australia's SLR Productions today announced the animated series 'Captain Flinn and The Pirate Dinosaurs' has been green-lit for production with local broadcast partner Nine Network along with international partners, ZDF Enterprises, Telegael and Top Draw Animation.

The 52 x 11 minute series is based on award winning picture books of the same name by internationally recognised and highly acclaimed Author/Illustrator duo, Giles Andreae and Russell Ayto.

In 2011 'Captain Flinn and The Pirate Dinosaurs' won Best TV Pilot and the prestigious Arlecchino Award for Best Book Based Work, an esteemed accolade of the Cartoons On The Bay Pulcinella Awards, International Television and Cross Media Animation Festival held in Italy. The series also was selected as a nominee in the 2011 Banff International Pilots competition in the youth and children category and was shown at the 2011 Banff World Media Festival in Canada.

"It is a real honour to be working on such an amazing book property from Giles Andreae and Russell Ayto. SLR Productions looks forward to a great collaboration with the artistic team and broadcast partners Nine Network, ZDF Enterprises along with co-producers Telegael and Top Draw Animation – together we will ensure 'Captain Flinn and The

Pirate Dinosaurs' is an extraordinary dino-pirate cartoon series for the global preschool and early school age audience. Combining a young boy's two passions, dinosaurs and pirates, Giles Andreae and Russell Ayto have created a series of picture books that have become incredibly popular around the world and we hope to capture the same wit and cheek in our television series" said Executive Producer and CEO of SLR Productions, Suzanne Ryan.

"We are thrilled to again be working with SLR Productions – Suzanne Ryan and her team always deliver quality and entertaining children's content that enhances our programming schedule. 'Captain Flinn and The Pirate Dinosaurs' has amazing production partners on board and draws its inspiration from the award winning picture books from Giles Andreae and Russell Ayto ensuring it will be a series that Australian and international audiences will love," said Executive Producer, Drama at Nine Network, Jo Rooney.

"Combining dinosaurs and pirates will make 'Captain Flinn and The Pirate Dinosaurs' a very unique series. Filled with high-sea adventures, it will be sure to capture the hearts of the young audience. We are delighted to be working with the team on this new series," said VP of ZDFE.junior, Arne Lohmann.

Pirattitude meets silly in these riotous tales of a jam-stealin' Captain T Rex, Stig the stegosaurus, Dippy the diplodocus, Tricky the triceratops and Terry the pterodactyl and four adventure lovin' kids Captain Flinn, Pearl, Tom and Violet who teach them a thing or two! Irreverence, general silliness and flagrant disrespect for pirate dinosaurs wrapped around a message of simple empowerment: sometimes when you face your fear...you'll notice it's wearin' a milk moustache (underneath that eye-patch...arrr).

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SLR Productions is one of Australia's leading Emmy and multi award

winning children's entertainment companies, specialising in the creative development and production of world-class media content. Established in 2002 by CEO, Suzanne Ryan, SLR is recognised for creating successful brands such as the internationally acclaimed preschool property, Guess How Much I Love You™, the Australian comic book series GASP!™ and the Emmy Award winning animated series I Got a Rocket™. SLR's passion is to make creative, adventurous, imaginative and exciting programmes for audiences worldwide. The company has produced more than 100 hours of content sold in more than 150 territories worldwide. With its highly experienced development and production divisions, SLR partners with major broadcasters, producers, distributors, publishers and creatives both locally and internationally to create hit shows with a truly global reach.

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