



**JESSE METCALFE AND AUTUMN REESER FIND A HOLIDAY ROMANCE IN
'CHRISTMAS UNDER THE STARS,'
A NEW, ORIGINAL MOVIE PREMIERING NOVEMBER 16, ON HALLMARK CHANNEL**

**Part of the Network's Annual "Countdown to Christmas"
Programming Event, Celebrating its 10th Anniversary in 2019**

STUDIO CITY, CA – October 4, 2019 — Jesse Metcalfe ("Chesapeake Shores," "Christmas Next Door") and Autumn Reeser ("All Summer Long," "Love on the Menu") star in "**Christmas Under the Stars**," a new, original movie premiering **Saturday, November 16 (8 p.m. ET/PT)** on Hallmark Channel as part of the network's beloved, number one-rated programming event, "Countdown to Christmas," which celebrates its 10th anniversary this year. Hallmark Channel is historically the #1 television network in all of Q4. Clarke Peters ("The Wire") also stars.

When Nick (Metcalfe), a career-focused investment banker, is fired from his firm at Christmastime, he winds up taking a job at a Christmas tree lot owned by warmhearted widower Clem ("Peters") who is struggling to save his business from being shut down. There, Nick meets Julie (Reeser), an astronomy teacher who's always looked to the stars for hope, and learns she's being harassed by a heartless financial institution. Before long, as the holiday spirit washes over him, the once self-centered Nick discovers the joy of helping others and finds himself in a blossoming romance with Julie. But as Nick strives to solve Julie's financial woes, a shocked Julie discovers he once represented the greedy corporation currently pressuring her. After parting ways with Nick and leaving him crushed, Julie arranges a special stargazing event for her students. With Christmas approaching, Nick receives a job offer, requiring him to begin working immediately and miss spending the holiday at the tree lot. Now Nick wonders if there's a way he can take the job while helping the tree lot's owner and Julie through their troubles. He also wonders if he can rekindle his romance with Julie in time for them all to share a Christmas under the stars.

"Christmas Under the Stars" is a Crown Media Productions, LLC production. James Wilberger is the Executive Producer. Charles Cooper and Harvey Kahn serve as producers. Allan Harmon directed from a script by Jamie Pachino.

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