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## Award Winning GERARD DEPARDIEU Joins Cast of Sgt Stubby - An American Heros

**Animated Feature Film Debut April 2018**

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With over 200 screen credits spanning over five decades, Gérard Depardieu is the most iconic French actor alive today. His filmography includes Academy Award and Golden Globe nominations for 1990's 'Cyrano de Bergerac', winning the Best Actor award at the Cannes Film Festival. American audiences also know him for his performances in 'Green Card', 'The Man in the Iron Mask', and 'The Life of Pi'.

Gérard Depardieu will voice the character of Gaston Baptiste, a battle-tested mentor to Sgt. Stubby, the most decorated canine of the American Expeditionary Force in World War I, and his handler Robert Conroy. Despite his time in the trenches, Gaston's joie de vivre cannot be extinguished ““ a characteristic he shares with Gérard Depardieu, who refers to Gaston as 'a man after my own heart.'

This incredible true story of a stray Boston terrier from Connecticut who found himself in the trenches of World War I France focuses on the deep bond forged between a young American Doughboy and his unlikely canine friend. 'Sgt. Stubby: An American Hero' will be the first animated family film to directly address war for young audiences and has been selected as an official project of the United States World War I Centennial Commission.

Executive Producer Richard Lanni: 'I am thrilled to work with Depardieu in bringing the first animated film addressing war to family audiences. Through this incredible story of camaraderie between Sgt. Stubby and Conroy, we are also able to share the extraordinary tale of the American Doughboys and their French poilu allies. The poilu were courageous Infantrymen who spent years locked in trench warfare to protect their homes and families.'

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