

Jason Momoa Signs On To Star In Warner Bros.' Minecraft Movie

Warner Bros. is getting back into business with Aquaman and the Lost Kingdom star Jason Momoa, bringing him in for their long-gestating Minecraft movie.

According to The Hollywood Reporter the actor, aged 42, has signed up for an unspecified role as a part of the video game adaptation.

Jared Hess (Napoleon Dynamite), is also joining the team to direct the project, which signifies that it finally has some momentum after nearly a decade of development.

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According to The Hollywood Reporter, the 42-year-old actor has agreed to a role in the videogame adaptation.

The Minecraft videogame was created by Markus Persson (Swedish game designer) and developed by Mojang Studios.

Although the game isn't designed to be played in a specific way, it allows users to create worlds with blocks and try to survive within these worlds.

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The game was an instant success, with over 100,000,000 users signing up in just a few years. This led Microsoft to purchase Mojang for \$2.5 billion in 2014.

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There have been a few spin-offs including Minecraft: Story Mode with Telltale Studios (2014), Minecraft Earth in 2019 & Minecraft Dungeons in 2020.

Shortly after its release, a number of filmmakers and producers expressed interest but Mojang's CEO Carl Manneh said in an interview they would only engage, 'if the right idea comes along.'

Creator Persson revealed that Mojang was in talks with Warner Bros. for a Minecraft film, with Shawn Levy (Free Guy) the first to be attached to direct, from a script by Jason Fuchs (Wonder Woman).

Spinoffs

Rob McElhenney (It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia) was the co-creator and star of the show. Steve Carell was also a star.

In 2016, production began in an early stage, but that was stopped when Greg Silverman, then-Warner Bros. CEO was fired and was replaced with Toby Emmerich.

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Aaron and Adam Nee (The Lost City), came aboard to replace McElhenney & Fuchs in 2018. However, Peter Sollett replaced them in 2019, with the studio setting March 4, 2022 as the release date.

That incarnation never got off the ground as the project was shelved due to COVID-19, though now it seems the studio is ready to move forward again with Minecraft, though no details were given about the story or Momoa's character.

Mary Parent (Dune) and Roy Lee(Dune) will co-produce, with Jill Messick receiving a posthumous credit for her work on film before she died in 2018.