Film

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Features

A film to be lauded at a major European festival is Raymund Ribay Gutierrez's "Animal," produced by Lena Waithe. Waithe will next be seen recurring in the upcoming series "The Misadventures of Awkward Black Girl," which centers on friends from the wrong side of the tracks, who have nothing to hide. "The world's moved on, Commander Bond," Lynch's character friend from the CIA Felix Leiter warns. "So stay in your lane. Only your skills die with your body. Mine will survive long after I'm gone." (RTRS)

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