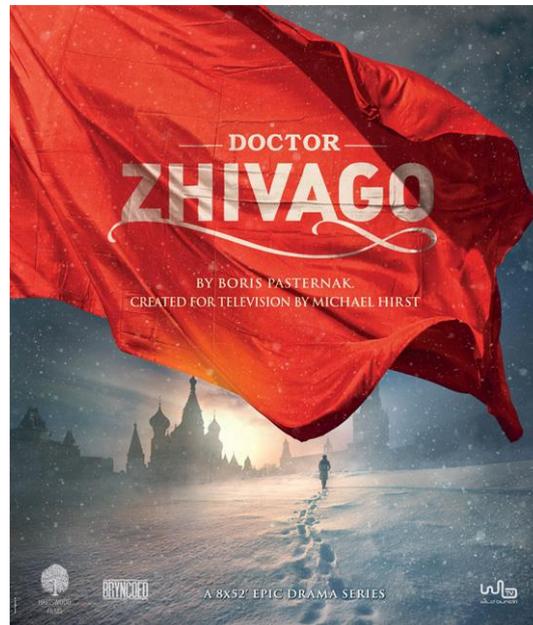


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## WILD BUNCH TV LAUNCHES MICHAEL HIRST'S "DOCTOR ZHIVAGO"

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Paris, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019



**Wild Bunch TV and Hartswood Films announces that it will be launching the eight-part epic drama DOCTOR ZHIVAGO.**

Based on Nobel prize winner Boris Pasternak's classic novel and adapted by award-winning writer Michael Hirst (creator of Emmy Award-winning television series *Vikings* and *The Tudors*, and BAFTA and Academy Award® winning movie *Elizabeth*), the upscale event drama will be produced by Hartswood Films (*Sherlock*, *Dracula*) and Bryncoed Productions (*Robin Hood*, *Jekyll & Hyde*)

Michael Hirst said : « *There are many people in the world today who are suffering as a consequence of wars, revolutions and societal disintegration. This project pushes the boundaries of the movie and will embrace the larger story of Dr Zhivago's own journey into the vortex of revolution ; and it deliberately connects more with events today, from Latin America to the streets of Paris.* »

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### DOCTOR ZHIVAGO

**An epic tale of love, war and revolution (8 x 52')**

In the grand tradition of the epic, Michael Hirst will bring Boris Pasternak's masterpiece to vivid life, depicting the drama and immense scope of the Russian Revolution through the story of the gifted physician-poet, Zhivago ; the revolutionary, Strelnikov ; and Lara, the passionate woman they both love.

Caught up in the overwhelming events of politics and war that will eventually destroy him and millions of others, Zhivago clings to the private world of family life and love, embodied by the magical Lara.

A celebration of the human spirit in the most extreme of circumstances.

Created for the screen by Michael Hirst

Executive producers: Beryl Vertue, Sue Vertue & Foz Allan

Production: Hartswood Films, in association with Bryncoed Productions

Worldwide sales: Wild Bunch TV

[ Download the teaser poster : <https://we.tl/t-DzFtAegr33> ]

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