

# Spike Lee Making Film From Cellphone Clips



\*Spike Lee has teamed with Nokia for a film project that will be comprised entirely of cell phone footage requested of regular people, reports Reuters.

The film by Nokia Productions will consist of three acts. An “assignment” for each act will be announced online and people will then have four weeks to produce their submission.

“You are seeing first hand the democratization of film,” Lee said in a statement on Thursday. “Aspiring filmmakers no longer have to go to film school to make great work. With a simple mobile phone, almost anyone can now become a filmmaker.”

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# Mos Def To Play Chuck Berry In Film



Rapper Mos Def is to play the role of Chuck Berry in ‘Cadillac Records’, a film chronicling the rise of legendary ’50s and ’60s blues label Chess Records.

The film, which also stars Beyonce as R’n’B legend Etta James, will see Adrian Brody take the lead role of Chess co-founder

Leonard Chess.

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## Big Daddy Kane To Executive Produce The Vapors



Big Daddy Kane is moving into the business side of the film world and has signed on as one of the executive producers of the forthcoming Juice Crew bio film The Vapors.

“I got a call from Marley Marl one day and he and some people was trying to get this film together,” Big Daddy Kane told AllHipHop.com. “Now we finally got it happening and I got involved. Now it seems like it’s very realistic and it’s actually gonna happen in the next two months.”

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## Marvin Gaye Bio To Start Filming In April



James Gandolfini is set to produce and co-star in the Marvin Gaye film biography “Sexual Healing.” No. He won’t play Gaye.

According to the Hollywood Reporter, Gandolfini would play Gaye's manager Freddy Cousaert in the film, which looks at the singer's final years.

Lauren Goodman is directing the film from a script she based on Steven Turner's book "Trouble Man."

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