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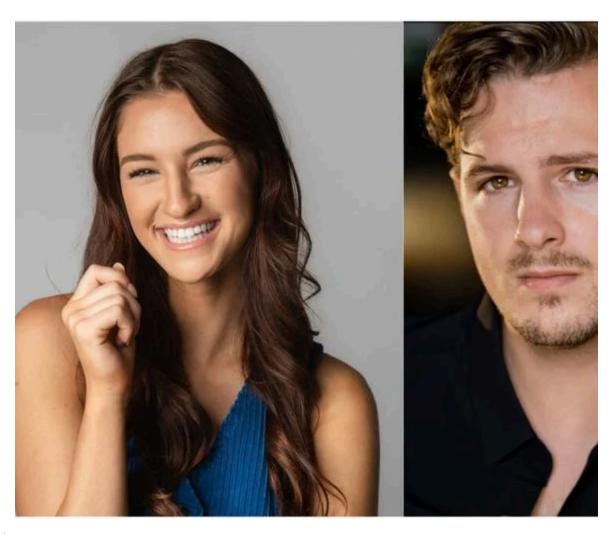
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"Love Never Dies" stars announced

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Riley Brazell and Ethan Averton Contributed

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is Dreams Productions LLC is pleased to announce the upcoming independent feature film set in Culpeper, "Love Never Dies," has officially signed its two lead actors: Riley Brazell and Ethan Averton.

Local filming for the romantic, dramatic and action-packed Civil War saga starts this fall in Culpeper, where the history happened.

Based out of New York City and Los Angeles, the stars will portray Constance Armstrong and Aaron Ames, the fictional Culpeper resident and Union soldier involved in the central love story of this new cinematic adaptation of the acclaimed Civil War novel, "Marching Through Culpeper," by Virginia Morton.

Brazell grew up in Camden, S.C. and found her love for acting at a very young age through theater, according to a film production release.

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After performing in numerous high school and community productions, she attended Auburn University in Alabama, where she earned her BFA in Theatre Performance. She also trained at the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts for Screen Acting. Since graduating in 2024, she has worked consistently in film and television as well as special effects makeup.

"I am so honored to be the voice who tells Constance's story," says Brazell. "I feel heavily connected to her as I am also a girl from a small Southern town. Her heart for those she loves and her passion for her dreams are very similar to myself."

Averton, a native of the UK, started acting shortly after his family moved from London to Weston-on-the-Green in Oxfordshire, according to the release. After being noticed in a film at the Oxford Student Film Festival, he was appointed Media Officer

of the Oxford Union, where he hosted luminaries like Johnny Depp and filmmaker Roland Emmerich. He moved to L.A. and received classical conservatory training at the prestigious American Academy of Dramatic Arts.

"Having the immense responsibility and privilege of portraying Aaron Ames is a journey I knew I had to embark on," said Averton. "Captain Ames is everything I aspire to be, personally. The man never gives up! Come hell and high water, he will always fight to protect and defend those he loves."

Produced by author Virginia Morton of Culpeper, "Love Never Dies" will be filming in and around Culpeper between September 30 and October 17.

A passionate crew of industry veterans and dedicated volunteers committed to bringing Culpeper's Civil War history to the big screen are hard at work, says Morton.

"We need the support of the community to make this film with excellence," she said.

"Donations of meals by restaurants and individually wrapped snacks are welcomed. In addition, volunteers, re-enactors, and regional actors are needed.

"We invite the community to join our journey."

Follow the film on Facebook (Love Never Dies – A Film Project), see **loveneverdiesfilm.com** and contact **production@loveneverdiesfilm.com**

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