



**RACHAEL LEIGH COOK AND BRENDAN PENNY RETURN TO WINE COUNTRY FOR
'SUMMER IN THE VINEYARD'
A NEW, ORIGINAL MOVIE
PREMIERES AUGUST 12**

**Sequel to "Autumn in the Vineyard" is Part of the Network's Annual,
"Summer Nights" Programming Event**

STUDIO CITY, CA – July 11, 2017 – Rachael Leigh Cook ("Perception") and Brendan Penny ("Chesapeake Shores") star in Hallmark Channel's **"Summer in the Vineyard,"** a new, original movie premiering **Saturday, August 12 (9 p.m. ET/PT)**, during the network's annual "Summer Nights" programming event celebrating the fun of the season. Cook and Penny reprise their roles from the Hallmark Channel original movie "Autumn in the Vineyard," which premiered in Fall 2016. "Summer in the Vineyard" is based on the book "Summer in Napa" by Marina Adair.

Frankie Baldwin (Cook) and Nate DeLuca (Penny) have become partners in love and work as co-owners of picturesque Sorrento Farms in the Napa Valley town of St. Madeline. Summer finds them on the verge of bottling their first vintage, just in time for a highly-publicized food-and-wine event that could launch Sorrento into the big time. But in their desire to do right by Sorrento and by each other, cautious Frankie and confident Nate end up working at cross-purposes – potentially undermining not only their winery but their relationship.

"Summer in the Vineyard" is produced by Muse Entertainment and Head First Productions. Executive producers are Jim Head, Joel S. Rice, Michael Prupas, Shawn Williamson and Rachael Leigh Cook. Jamie Goehring and Trevor McWhinney are the producers. Martin Wood directs from a script written by Julie Sherman Wolfe based on the book "Summer in Napa" by Marina Adair.

ABOUT HALLMARK CHANNEL

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