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**JAMES BROLIN STARS AS A MONTANA RANCHER TURNED UNLIKELY KING IN
'ROYAL HEARTS,'
A NEW, ORIGINAL MOVIE PREMIERING FEBRUARY 24, ON HALLMARK CHANNEL**

Directed by James Brolin, the Movie Shot on Location in Romania



STUDIO CITY, CA – January 16, 2018 – James Brolin (“Life in Pieces,” *Amityville Horror*), Cindy Busby (“The Vampire Diaries,” *The Big Year*) and Andrew Cooper (“The Way,” “The Royals”) star in “**Royal Hearts**,” a new, original movie premiering **Saturday, February 24 (9 p.m. ET/PT)** on Hallmark Channel.

Since the passing his wife, Hank Pavlik (Brolin) has made the ranch his only life. But when his daughter, Kelly (Busby) is met by a lawyer retained to locate her father, life is about to get interesting. As the last living relative, Hank has inherited the late King of Merania’s throne — a responsibility that doesn’t interest him. Reminding Hank that you don’t turn your back on family, Kelly encourages him to stay because without a king Merania’s independence is threatened by King Nikolas (Lachlan Nieboer, “Downton Abbey”), the ruler Angosia, a neighboring country. Meanwhile, Kelly has taken an interest in Alex (Cooper), the adorable stable hand for the estate. When King Nikolas comes to visit Kelly gets swept off her feet and while at the Royal Ball, King Nikolas surprises Kelly with a marriage proposal. After some investigating Alex discovers Angosia is broke. King Nikolas’ proposal is simply a business transaction to acquire Merania’s natural resources. Realizing an opportunity with King Nikolas’ predicament, Hank devises a diplomatic solution that could both secure Merania’s independence and the future of Angosia.

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"Royal Hearts' is a Brad Krevoy Television Production. Brad Krevoy, Eric Jarboe, Amanda Phillips Atkins and Jimmy Townsend are executive producers. Robin Bernheim Burger, Kerry Lenhart and John J. Sakmar are co-executive producers. Vince Balzano serves as associate producer. Amy Krell is producer. James Brolin directed from a teleplay by Robin Bernheim Burger & Kerry Lenhart based on the story by John J. Sakmar.

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