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As the new *Crave*/HBO Max series captures the essence of LGBTQ sports romance, the chemistry between its stars and showrunner is making waves. Jacob Tierney, the series creator, shared insights into the casting process for the show, emphasizing the instant connection between actors Hudson Williams and Connor Storrle.

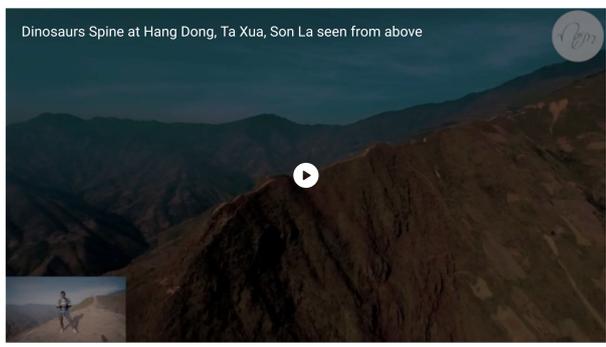


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During auditions, Storrle, who portrays Ilya Rozanov, a Russian-American player for the Boston Raiders, noted that his chemistry with Williams was immediate. "Hudson was the third actor that I read with," Storrle told *Out Magazine*, mentioning that the first two auditions hadn't matched the same intensity. "Jacob actually texted me directly and was like, 'What do you think?' And I was like, 'Yeah, Hudson, for sure.' Instantly."

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Williams, who takes on the role of Shane Hollander, a pro from Ottawa playing for the Montreal Metros, echoed this sentiment. He described his experience reading alongside Storrle as having an inexplicable "X-factor." "There was something about Connor... it just felt realer than what I thought it could possibly be," he reflected.



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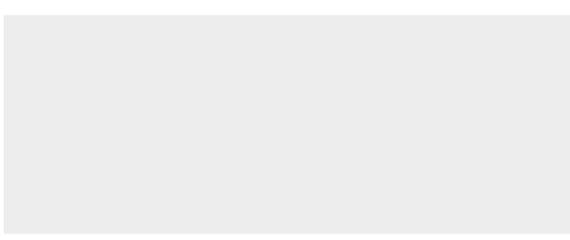
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This strong connection did not go unnoticed by Tierney, who recalled a striking comment from Williams regarding his chemistry with Storrle. "Hudson told me, 'The other guy was good, but Connor felt like he was going to pin me down and f*ck me,'" Tierney recounted. With this candid feedback, Tierney felt assured he had made the right casting choice.

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According to Tierney, finding the duo to portray Shane and Ilya was essential to the show's success. "They were essentially cast at the same time. It was very clear to us that we needed to find Shane and Ilya together," he explained. He underscored the need to ensure the actors could convincingly portray the complex relationship central to the storyline, stating, "This show lives and dies with them."



"Heated Rivalry," airing new episodes on Fridays, delves into the secret lives of two leading Major League Hockey players who, despite their rivalry on the ice, are involved in a hidden romance, navigating the complexities of their relationship away from public scrutiny. Adapted from Rachel Reid's novels and created alongside Brendan Brady from Accent Aigu Entertainment, this compelling narrative features an impressive cast, including François Arnaud, Robbie GK, Sophie Nélisse, Ksenia Daniela Kharlamova, Dylan Walsh, and Christina Chang, all contributing to a series that intertwines sports with heartfelt human emotion.

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