

Christian Hip-Hop Artist Lecrae Starring in 'Feel-Good Comedy'

Christian hip-hop artist Lecrae is starring in *Believe Me*, a feature film from Riot Studios that has begun shooting. In the movie, Alex Russell (*Chronicle*) plays a college-student-turned-con-artist who hopes to profit from naive churchgoers, *The Hollywood Reporter* says.

"Guess I'm gettin Hollywood," Lecrae wrote in a Facebook post this week.

Several of his fans posted to encourage him, including one who said, "Stay humble Lecrae and keep God first. Change Hollywood, don't let them change you."

No release date has been announced for *Believe Me*, described by *The Hollywood Reporter* as a "feel-good comedy." The film also stars Zachary Knighton (*Happy Endings*), Johanna Braddy (*Easy A*) and Max Adler (*Glee*).

The film is being directed and co-written by Will Bakke, who also helmed the documentary *Beware of Christians*, which followed four Christian college students as they traveled across Europe to interview people about the relevance of Christianity in today's world. Texas-based Riot was founded in 2010 by Bakke, Alex Carroll and Michael Allen.

Earlier this year, Lecrae won a Grammy for *Gravity* (Reach Records) in the Best Gospel Album category.