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Cinergi funds 'Freedom' docu

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Andy Vajna's Cinergi Prods. is coming on board to complete the financing of the feature documentary "Freedom's Fury," which is being written and directed by Colin Gray and his sister, Megan Raney, and produced by Wolo Entertainment.

The film revolves around the 1956 Hungarian Revolution and the epic 1956 Olympic water polo semifinal match between Hungary and Russia. Shortly after Soviet Red Army tanks rolled through the streets of Budapest, suppressing a

popular uprising, the two countries found themselves set to compete against one another in the water polo semifinals in the Summer Olympics, held in Australia.

The topic has long been of interest to Gray, who grew up playing water polo and first learned of the story from his university team coach, who was Hungarian.

The two filmmakers, and producer Kristine Lacy, independently financed the movie with backing from Quentin Tarantino, Lucy Liu and award-winning docu filmmaker-

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er Amy Sommer. Vajna is executive producing with Sommer.

Cinergi also is developing a feature inspired by the events in the docu.

The docu will be completed in the fall and submitted to festivals for next year.

Gray and Raney, who collectively call themselves the Sibbs, also wrote and directed the rock docu "This Is Static X," are currently developing their first feature film, "Timberline," to be



Gray



Raney

shot next summer in Canada.

They are repped by Dan Black of Greenberg Traurig LLP.

Wolo is repped by Chris Tricarico of KMZR, and Cinergi is repped by Erick Feitshans. ■

