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Filming of *We Have Met The Enemy*, a major documentary film about America’s greatest naval hero, Oliver Hazard Perry, and the epic Battle of Lake Erie is scheduled for Rhode Island.

Lou Reda Productions to produce the 2 hour documentary. Filming to commence June 30, 2016 in Newport, RI.

To Be Released Internationally In 2017

(New York, New York – June 2016) Executive Producer Scott L. Reda (*The Blue and the Gray*, *WWII in HD*, *Vietnam in HD*) and his award winning Lou Reda Productions are scheduled to continue production of *We Have Met the Enemy*, a documentary film about Commodore Oliver Hazard Perry and the 1813 Battle of Lake Erie. Reda is producing the film with Executive Producers John Kuzdale and Mark Nixon and will begin filming at various sites in Newport, RI, Perry’s home during the War of 1812.

“Rhode Island’s Oliver Hazard Perry was perhaps America’s greatest naval hero. It’s exciting to be part of the team that is bringing his story to life for modern viewers,” Reda remarked.

“Perry’s victory on Lake Erie essentially saved this country and decided the fate of the whole continent.”

With great detail, *We Have Met The Enemy* will delve into the life of 27-year-old Perry and how he overcame incredible challenges after leaving Newport to construct the US fleet and lead his men to victory against the British. After receiving the British surrender, Perry famously wrote to General William Henry Harrison: “We have met the enemy and they are ours.”

Mark Nixon stated, “Perry’s War of 1812 odyssey began and ended in Newport. Many of the sailors in the Battle of Lake Erie were from Rhode Island, where Perry was also born and is now buried. Newport and its rich maritime history are a big part of the Perry story.”

Lou Reda Productions

Lou Reda Productions has a long history producing award-winning programs for domestic and international broadcast. The company's recognitions include a People's Choice Award, a Peabody, and nine Emmy nominations (including one win). Among the company's most recent productions are the History Channel event television series *WWII in HD* (narrated by Gary Sinise), *Vietnam in HD* (narrated by Michael C. Hall), and the National Geographic Channel special *Brothers in War* (narrated by Charlie Sheen). The company is also known for the production *The Blue and The Gray*.

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