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ASHOK AMRITRAJ (Producer) is co-chairman and co-CEO of Hyde Park Entertainment and has fast become one of the most prolific producers in Hollywood today. In the past three years alone, Amritraj has produced or executive produced more than twenty films, including the Sony Classics release *The Third Miracle* starring Ed Harris and Anne Heche; *The White River Kid* starring Antonio Banderas and Bob Hoskins; *The Confession* starring Alec Baldwin and Ben Kingsley; *A Murder Of Crows* starring Cuba Gooding, Jr., and Tom Berenger; and *Entropy* starring Stephen Dorff and U2.

Formed in 1999, Hyde Park Entertainment has a first look deal at MGM and a second-look deal at Disney for domestic rights. Hyde Park also has a long-term pan-European deal with Epsilon, the powerful European media consortium. The company intends to produce four to six major motion pictures each year for about \$40- \$80 million apiece.

Amritraj served as executive producer of the action-thriller remake of *Get Carter* starring Sylvester Stallone. In his partnership with MGM, he's completed *Original Sin*, starring Antonio Banderas and Angelina Jolie, and the much-anticipated *Bandits*, directed by Oscar[®]-winner Barry Levinson and starring Bruce Willis, Billy Bob Thornton, and Cate Blanchett. Both films are set for release later this year. Amritraj also produced Jean Claude Van Damme's breakout picture, *Double Impact*, one of the most successful films of 1991.

Amritraj's *Jeans* was selected by the Film Federation of India as the country's sole submission for Best Foreign Film in the 1998 Oscar[®] race. This led to his being voted "Spirit Of India's Man Of The Year." He currently serves on the board for Foreign Films at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences. He is a former professional tennis player, and during his nine-year career played in every major tennis tournament, including Wimbledon and the U.S. Open. In 1978 he was a member of the team that won the World Team Tennis Championship, and in 1974 he was a finalist at the Wimbledon Junior Tournament.

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