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Michael York Ready For Another Go As "Spherius" Renowned actor set to return as wise sphere in sequel

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Actor Michael York has agreed to reprise his role of "Spherius" in the next chapter of the Flatland saga, "Flatland 2: SPHERELAND."

Born in England, York trained with Laurence Olivier's National Theatre Company and began his film debut in *The Taming of the Shrew*. His illustrious film career includes well-known roles in *Romeo & Juliet*, *Cabaret*, *Logan's Run*, and the *Austin Powers* series, as well as guest appearances voicing characters on *The Simpsons* and *Family Guy*.

Over one million students and teachers worldwide enjoyed Michael's performance in *Flatland: The Movie* as Spherius, a wise visitor from the third dimension. Now, Spherius returns to Flatland after an encounter with an Over-Sphere who has flipped him in the fourth dimension. His only hope to correct his reversal is by solving a geometrical riddle with the assistance of an estranged Flatland mathematician, Hex (Kristen Bell). Michael York's incredible talent and recognizable voice adds humor, humility, and intelligence to this unique role.

"We are honored to have Michael York return to play the role of Spherius. We wrote the role with him in mind and couldn't imagine the project without him. He is an acting legend who shares our passion for education and academic curiosity," said Producer Seth Caplan.

The project is based on Edwin A. Abbott's classic novel Flatland and Dionys Burger's sequel Sphereland. Flatland is a world that exists entirely on a two-dimensional plane and is inhabited by flat geometrical shapes. Hex and her friends race against time to solve intriguing mathematical puzzles in order to save a doomed rocket and discover the true shape of their universe. Full of action, humor and lessons, "Sphereland" will delight and educate audiences of all ages.

The project will be completed in 2012. The program is part of an educational DVD to be used by teachers in the classroom.