

## **Blockbuster Global Premieres of Medal of Honor, Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands, and Crackdown 2 Added to Roster of Debuts at Spike TV's 'Video Game Awards 2009'**

**Trio of Premieres Join Halo: Reach, TRON And The Next Star Wars Game As Unveilings Announced Thus Far Two-Hour Worldwide Event Premieres LIVE On Saturday, December 12 At 8:00 PM ET**

NEW YORK, Dec 02, 2009 /PRNewswire via COMTEX/ -- The biggest night of the year for the video game industry just got bigger! Today Spike TV confirmed that three highly-anticipated new games - Electronic Arts' Medal of Honor, Ubisoft's Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands, and Microsoft's Crackdown 2 - will premiere LIVE at Spike TV's "Video Game Awards 2009," Saturday, December 12 at 8:00 PM ET.

The VGAs - which recognize the best games of the year and preview the most anticipated titles of the future - will feature the first-ever look at EA's reboot of Medal of Honor with a world-premiere trailer. For the first time in the franchise's storied 10-year-history, Medal of Honor is leaving the World War II theater and putting players in war-torn Afghanistan. The game introduces the Tier 1 Operator, a relatively unknown entity directly under the National Command Authority who takes on missions no one else in the world can handle.

Ubisoft's Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands™ is the latest installment in the critically-acclaimed franchise and marks the return to the Prince of Persia® Sands of Time storyline. Scheduled for release in May 2010, Prince of Persia: The Forgotten Sands™ will feature many of the fan-favorite elements from the original series, as well as new gameplay innovations that gamers have come to expect from the Prince of Persia brand.

Crackdown 2 is the sequel to one of the most innovative releases in recent memory. Ten years have passed since the Agency first eliminated the gangs in Pacific City. Now, this new Xbox 360 exclusive puts you back into an Agent's shoes to clean up and eliminate all threats to the City. Crackdown is already known for its unique use of cell-shaded graphics and vertigo-inducing verticality; now it will redefine multiplayer gaming with up to 16-player PVP, delivering the most intense action in a huge world.

These three world premieres join a growing list of previously announced VGA exclusives including Halo: Reach, TRON and the next Star Wars game from LucasArts. Additional world premieres will be announced in the days to come, with even more surprises set to be unveiled during the LIVE broadcast.

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Albie Hecht, Oscar®-nominated producer and Casey Patterson, senior vice president, event production & talent development for Spike TV will serve as executive producers of Spike TV's 2009 "Video Game Awards." Beth McCarthy will direct. Greg Sills is supervising producer.

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