



## **RUSSIAN MUSIC FILM SET FOR PRODUCTION AT OLD TUCSON STUDIOS**

*Cast and crew to be at Old Tucson Studios April 28-29, Mescal April 30 and May 1*

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Russian rock group, Diskoteka Avaria, will be at Old Tucson Studios April 28-29 filming a 10-minute film featuring the band members. A take-off on “The Good, The Bad and The Ugly” the film is a unique juxtaposition between Russian music and American western scenery. The film will be shot at both Old Tucson Studios and Mescal, a sister site located near Benson.

The script, entitled “4 Guys” follows the characters Timofeev, Serov, Ryzhov and Igor into an old west teaming with murder, greed, lust, an immoral preacher and even a hanging. During the two production days in Old Tucson Studios, visitors will be able to watch the filming.

“This will be a particularly interesting shoot for spectators,” says Frances Causey, film manager, Old Tucson Studios. “The production includes a large cast of extras and lots of stunts and highly visual scenes. Plus, while the extras and production crew will be local, the principle actors and production team are from Russia. I don’t believe we’ve ever had a film crew quite like this at Old Tucson Studios.”

Old Tucson Studios beat out a global set of contenders for this international production. Old Tucson Studios was selected over Andalucia Spain, site of more than 900 films including the original “The Good, the Bad and The Ugly.”

“We looked at several locations for our film,” said Alexander Yurchikov, producer, Pantera Productions. “We selected Old Tucson Studios and Mescal over Spain because of the ideal set theme and location in the middle of the desert away from modern visuals. We also appreciated the professionalism of the staff and the proximity to a major city with readily accessible crew talent.”

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Old Tucson Studios is providing production support including stunt coordination, local casting, on-site logistics and crew development. Causey will serve as Unit Production Manager and has been working to ensure all aspects of the filming are on track.

“4 Guys” is the first in a line of productions that will occur at Old Tucson Studios. In May, the set will be site of the comedy film, “Mad, Mad Wagon Party.” Scouts also have been on the set and at Mescal for a major studio film expected to begin production in early summer.

### Guest Experience

Guests to the park on Monday, April 28 will be able to experience the regularly scheduled shows, attractions, food service and shops until early afternoon when the production will begin set-up. From 1 p.m. – 6 p.m., the park will offer limited operation, with a tremendous behind-the-scenes look at a production. The park will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the park will be a regular pricing: \$16.95 for adults, \$10.95 for children (4-11).

On Tuesday, April 29 the park will be open for tours only. This means none of the entertainment offerings will be provided; however, the tours are expanded one-hour offerings giving guests a significant opportunity to delve into the history of Old Tucson Studios. Guests may also watch the production. Food and beverages will be available. The park will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission to the park will be at a reduced rate: \$7.95 for adults, \$5.00 for children (4-11).

Site for more than 300 film and television projects during its 69-year history, Old Tucson Studios has been one of the most active filming locations for Western-themed movies, television and cable shows and commercials. For more information about Old Tucson Studios, its film history and current visitor experiences, visit [www.OldTucson.com](http://www.OldTucson.com)

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Note to media: Producer Alexander Yurchikov will be available for interviews during the production. Please contact Claudia Vecchio if you would like to schedule an in-person interview. The media is invited on the set and may bring camera crews, but must be pre-arranged and pre-approved.