ViuTV partners with Singapore for Blue Tick

Hong Kong's ViuTV is joining forces with Singapore's national broadcaster Mediacorp for the first time in a 20-episode co-production.

Based on a popular Hong Kong novel, the suspense thriller Blue Tick is about 10 strangers who attend the funeral of a common friend. When one of them sends a Whatsapp message to the deceased, she receives the double "blue tick" which indicates that her message has been delivered and read.

A mix of Hong Kong and Singapore celebrities head the cast, including Wong You Nam, Liu Kai Chi, Law Kar Ying and Bonde Sham from Hong Kong as well as Desmond Tan, Ya Hui, Jeffrey Xu and Sheila Sim from Singapore.

Each episode will last 30 minutes. The co-production is supported by the Info-Communications Media Development Authority of Singapore (IMDA). Filming locations include Singapore, Hong Kong and China.

It is scheduled to air on ViuTV and Singapore's streaming platform Toggle in the second half of this year.

ViuTV was launched in April 2016 as a free-to-air channel by Hong Kong's leading telco PCCW.