

### Pirates of the Carribean

- The fifth film in the *Pirates of the Caribbean* franchise is the largest international feature film ever to shoot in Australia and is being filmed exclusively in Queensland.
- *Pirates of the Caribbean* will spend at least \$100 million in Queensland providing outstanding career development opportunities for our crew and firmly place Queensland on the international production map.
- The production has hired local crew, extras, cast and stunt performers and every effort has been made to ensure that Queenslanders are afforded opportunities to work on the film. The first hire on the project was a Queensland Production Manager.
- 75 per cent of the more than 850 crew working on the Pirates film are Queenslanders.
- Queensland's stunning locations act as the natural backdrop in the *Pirates* film and will be a major influencer in the travel decisions of the global tourism market.
- The first four *Pirates of the Caribbean* films grossed a combined \$3.7 billion at the global box office, and three of the four films in the franchise rank among The Walt Disney Studios' top 10 films of all time.
- *Pirates of the Caribbean* has a world-wide fan base that is represented in the 24+million followers on the official Facebook site of the film.
- Disney's decision to film in Queensland will attract other international productions to our state and provide our talent with the opportunity to work on one of the biggest film franchises and distributors in the world.
- The film is shooting at the Village Roadshow Studios on the Gold Coast. Pre-production commenced in October 2014 and principal photography commenced in February 2015.

**Queenslander Brenton Thwaites** was born in Cairns in 1989. He first came to prominence with his portrayal of Luke Gallagher in the Fox8 teen drama series *SLIDE* (2011), and later Stu Henderson in the soap opera *Home and Away* (2011–12).

In *Pirates of the Caribbean* franchise, *Dead Men Tell No Tales*, he plays Henry, a British soldier.

Since moving to the United States, Thwaites has headlined films such as *Blue Lagoon: The Awakening* (2012), *Oculus* (2013), and *The Giver* (2014) – the latter, opposite Jeff Bridges and Meryl Streep. He will star in *Gods of Egypt* in 2016, alongside Gerard Butler and Geoffrey Rush.

### **Queensland Government investment – not for public**

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