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Legendary music producer turned film director, Damien Matthias (known to the hip hop world as "E-Love") is set to direct two films for Twelve Star Prods., an entertainment corporation, announced executive producer J.M. Anglin.

The first production slated, added Anglin, is the urban musical drama "What Girls Don't Tell," a complex, human drama about the making of a star in the music world and the struggle on that road to glory.

"The subject matter demanded the caliber of Damien's credentials," said Anglin. "We're very excited to have him on board."

The 'godfather of hip hop' Matthias is currently in meetings with mega talent for the film, which begins production in the fall.

"The iconic talent gathering together from the international film and music communities for this project is amazing," stated godfather of hip hop Matthias who will also participate on the soundtrack.

A music producer since 1985, Matthias debuted with hip hop's rap artist LL Cool J on his first hit album "Radio." Through the years, he garnered many accolades including Grammy, American Music Awards (Song of the Year), several MTV Awards, and multiple Soul Train Awards.

Damien was instrumental in launching the careers of the late hip hop icon Tupac Shakur (2Pac) and rap artist John Forte. He produced many music videos including the award-winning "I'm Goin' back to Cali" for hip hop rapper LL Cool J which he co-produced with Rick Rubin, co-founder of Def Jam Records.

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The 'godfather of hip hop' Matthias, multiple platinum recording producer took a sabbatical from music eight years ago to study film at the American Conservatory Theatre in San Francisco. Since then, the New York native has since been directing film and commercial projects, among them: "Blunts and Stunts Class of '94," "Dreamer," and commercial projects Gateway, BCBG Maxazira, and Levi's, as well as many music videos.

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