

Angel City a Fan of Thai format

Angel City Factory, the **Banijay**-owned US production company set up by the creators of reality hit Temptation Island, has optioned a Thai format that pits fanatical fans against each other.

The prodco has optioned the format for The Fan (locally known as Fan Pan Tae), in a deal brokered by **Small World IFT** with partners Smoke and Mirrors. According to Small World, this is the first time a Thai format has been optioned in the US.

"The Fan is a format that contains tremendous potential for a successful US adaptation," said Angel City Factory's chief operating officer Matthew Laviano.

Small World introduced the format as part of a raft of Thai titles at Mipcom earlier this year. It is a studio-based gameshow that pits five obsessed fanatics against each other in a competition using all five senses.

The show is one of Thailand's biggest - it is produced in the territory by Workpoint Entertainment and has aired for nine years and 444 episodes.

Small World IFT president Tim Crescenti added of Angel City: "Their track record with Joe Millionaire and Temptation Island ensures a kick-ass creative energy and adaptation in the US."

Crescenti added that Small World is currently working on deals in France and Germany for the format.

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