

# LA Law star 'certain' of a Crows victory

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Even Los Angeles film star Harry Hamlin has succumbed to Crows finals fever.

Hamlin, who has been in town for the past six weeks making the local film thriller *Ebb-Tide*, said he was "certain" the Adelaide Crows would take out this year's premiership.

"I saw them once ... against Melbourne," Hamlin said.

"It's (Australian Rules) a bit like gridiron football without the pads ... a little more bruising.

"Whenever the Adelaide team is mentioned, I say 'we'."

In between crowing about Adelaide's hottest property, Hamlin was doing his bit for wildlife preservation at the Adelaide Hilton yesterday with *Ebb-Tide* co-star Judy McIntosh.

The two made paint prints of each other's hands on art boards — to be auctioned by the Artists-For-Life organisation with all proceeds going to saving endangered species.

Others to have donated their prints include Neil Diamond, Luke Perry, Paul Newman, Professor Peter Hollows and singer Tom Jones,

whose paws fetched the current record price of \$1000.

Hamlin, who shot to fame playing attorney Michael Kuzak in the United States series *LA Law*, plays a compensation lawyer in *Ebb-Tide* who travels to Australia to investigate a death allegedly caused by toxic dumping.

McIntosh, a New Zealander and former star of the ABC drama *GP*, plays a villain who has an affair with Hamlin.

The \$3 million film, made by Adelaide director Craig Lahiff and co-financed by the American Broadcasting Corporation, will be released here around March or April.

Hamlin was full of praise for the South Australian film industry.

"There's a lot less risk-taking going on in the United States with feature films than there seems to be here," he said.

"My hat's off to South Australian film-making because it's extremely creative."

Hamlin also bemoaned the recent axing of movie and television production by the SA Film Corporation, saying: "Some great movies have come out of here ... on a historical perspective alone, I hope it keeps going."



Harry Hamlin makes his mark for wildlife yesterday. Picture: GREG ADAMS

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