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### **Sino-UK Co-producing the movie "Yang Guifei" brings hot topic about casting of Yang Guifei on web**

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Reported by Wenhui Daily (Reporter Li ting). Foreign TV&Movie makers become more and more interested in Chinese topics. British concern Yang Guifei after America NBC TV Station recompose Journey To The West and making it TV play series. UK Captive music,ESA Cultural Investing Company and Dada Media signed a letter of intent for coproducing Yang Guifei movie recently. It is said that the investment of this project is more than 12million pounds and would formally startup at June.

Yang Guifei would be looked on by the view of famous poet Libai in this movie. Not only the love story of Yang Guifei and Emperor Xuangzong, but also contain many Chinese Peking opera elements, including music, acting, dance and martial art. Toby Simkin, the producer of "Yang Guifei" who has regarded as the best producer of American Broadway has made more than 120 Broadway plays. The investor said the casting hadn't been confirmed. Therefore, Voting of casting for Yang Guifei become popular. Gong Li is considered to be the best candidate among the asian movie stars according to the Chubby trends at that dynasty.

## 中英合拍《杨贵妃》 网友火热来“选妃”

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本报讯（记者李婷）国外的影视人对中国题材似乎越来越感兴趣了，继美国 NBC 电视台将《西游记》的故事改编成电视连续剧后，英国人又瞄上了杨贵妃。近日，英国迷人音乐公司和中国的北京春秋鸿文化投资有限公司、大地时代文化传播（北京）有限公司签下了一纸协议，决定三方合拍电影《杨贵妃》。据悉，该片的投资额度高达 1200 万英镑，将于今年 6 月正式启动。

《杨贵妃》将以著名诗人李白的视点看待杨贵妃。除了杨贵妃和唐明皇的凄美爱情，片中还将融合众多中国京剧中的元素，将音乐、表演、舞蹈、武术等整合在一起。影片的制作人 Toby Simkin 有“美国王牌制作人”美誉，他曾制作超过 120 部百老汇剧目。至于演员方面，投资方表示目前暂未敲定，不排除进行全球海选的可能。为此，网络上发起了“选妃”的投票热潮，根据古人“环肥燕瘦”之说，在华裔影星中，巩俐被推举为女主角“杨贵妃”的最佳人选。

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