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RUMOR: Disney Interested In Lady Gaga For A Role In THE LITTLE MERMAID

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Back in August it was reported that Disney had offered the role of Ariel in the live-action adaptation of *The Little Mermaid* to singer/actress Zendaya. Since then we haven't heard much on the project until now.

We have heard from multiple sources, that music superstar Lady Gaga is high on Disney's wish list for a role in the film. Most likely the role of Ursula. **While we haven't been able to confirm any of this. We've decided to share it as a rumor and nothing more.**

Gaga is receiving fan and critic praise for her role as Ally in *A Star Is Born*, which is in theaters now. She has also received praise for role in the popular FX series *American Horror Story*. Lady Gaga's name has also floated around DCU as it was rumored she was offered a role in *Birds of Prey* alongside Margot Robbie she reportedly passed on the project.

The 1989 animated classic centered around a rebellious 16-year-old mermaid Ariel, who is fascinated with life on land. On one of her visits to the surface, which are forbidden by her controlling father, King Triton, she falls for a human prince. Determined to be with her new love, Ariel makes a dangerous deal with the sea witch Ursula (Pat Carroll) to become human for three days. But when plans go awry for the star-crossed lovers, the king must make the ultimate sacrifice for his daughter.

Alan Menken and Lin-Manuel Miranda will team up to compose the music for the film, as well as add new songs to the film. *Mary Poppins Returns* director Rob Marshall is set to helm the film, from a script by Jane Goldman (*X-Men: Days Of Future Past*).

Production on *The Little Mermaid* is expected to take place in Puerto Rico and Cape Town Africa. As of right now there is no release date for the film. Expect to hear more news on this project within the year.

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