

Close sources of the ever-reliable Hollywood Reporter have exclusively revealed who Marvel Studios are closing in on for Patty Jenkins' replacement as director of their much-anticipated Thor sequel. With both contenders having a popular TV series in common on their resumes, THR have also disclosed the shortlist for a new screenwriter coming on board. Sources tell The Hollywood Reporter that the company is looking at two director prospects: Alan Taylor and Daniel Minahan. Marvel was also in the middle of hiring a writer when the Jenkins exit occurred. Don Payne had written a draft and Sheldon Turner was among those being discussed to work on the script, but the new shortlist of possible writers consists of John Collee, Robert Rodat, and Roger Avary. Coincidentally, or rather considerately, both Alan Taylor and Daniel Minahan have directed episodes of the ever-popular medieval fantasy television series Game of Thrones. And before Patty Jenkins was locked in,

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