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BASEBALL ROUNDUP

YANKEE-THEMED FILM A successful series of Yankees-themed children's books by the author Ray Neron, an adviser to George Steinbrenner, is being made into a full-length film that will feature Bernie Williams and Darryl Strawberry. The movie, titled "Keeper of the Pinstripes," combines elements from Neron's three books and chronicles the story of a young cancer patient and his friend and their encounters with Yankees legends.

"Mostly, it's about love and family," Neron said Tuesday night before a news conference announcing details of the film.

Directed by Robby Benson, the movie will star the actor Josh Lucas, who will play Thurman Munson. Strawberry will play a cancer patient, and Williams will serve as a street musician. His original music will appear in the soundtrack.

Most of the footage will be shot in and around both Yankee Stadiums through the end of the 2009 season. The movie, which is in its preproduction phase, is expected to be released between Christmas 2009 and April 2010.

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