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Career tidbits

- Vaugier recently finished shooting the psychological thriller *Dolans Co-Bleu*, a film adaptation of Stephen King's short story of the same name, with Christian Slater. It is due out in December.

- She has made *Men's "Hot 100"* list and appeared on the magazine's cover.

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