

ELYSIUM FILMS AND FAIRTRADE FILMS PRESENT

THE DYNAMITER



ELYSIUM FILMS AND FAIRTRADE FILMS PRESENT A FILM BY MATTHEW GORDON "THE DYNAMITER" WILLIAM PATRICK RUFFIN, JOHN ALEX NUNNERY
PATRICK RUTHERFORD, CIARA MCMILLIAN SCREENPLAY AND STORY BY BRAD INGELSBY DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY JEFFREY WALDRON PRODUCERS KEVIN ABRAMS, AMILE WILSON
EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS TODD MURPHY, GEORGE K.D. HOPKINS, KARTHIK ACHAR, CASEY GORDON, ART JONES, MARIANNE MICHALLET
EDITING BY KEVIN ABRAMS, BRANDON BOYD MUSIC BY ANIMAL COLLECTIVE ORIGINAL SCORE BY CASEY IMMOOR DIRECTED, PRODUCED AND STORY BY MATTHEW GORDON

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SYNOPSIS

It's another summer in Glen Allan, Mississippi for fourteen-year-old Robbie Hendrick. His wayward Mother has run off again fearing a breakdown and he's left to pass the days caring for his half-brother, Fess. But he's as hopeful as ever that his dream of a family will be realized this year. As Robbie and Fess burn the days together, Robbie's dream becomes closer than ever before. His older brother Lucas returns to the home and postcards begin to arrive from their Mother promising that she's better and that she'll return home soon.

But Robbie knows the futility of keeping faith in promises. As the deep days and nights begin to pass without his mother's return and with the ever-present threat of social services closing in on the brothers, Robbie must face the fact that he may just lose the only family he's ever had: Fess.

Filmed on location in the Mississippi Delta town of Glen Allan, MS with all non-actors from the region, *The Dynamiter* is a story of family in the forgotten America, uncompromisingly told by the very people who live it everyday.

DIRECTOR STATEMENT

The Dynamiter is a story of creating hope, something we all have to do every day or else we will have no life to speak of. Robbie Hendrick has the spirit and the character we all seek to find within us: the ability to create hope in a completely hopeless environment.

In Robbie's case, he has no parents to speak of and takes care of his younger, half-brother Fess while dreaming of reuniting the family he has never known. He is a trouble-maker, a thief and a poor student; not the kind of character we imagine could inspire us. But he has goodness, truth and devotion to his loved ones- the kind of which any of us can only dream to have. Robbie will surprise you just as he does me every day. I want to share his story and pass it on so we can all learn together from Robbie what it takes to make life hopeful and true and our attitude strong, looking to the sky when all around us seems dark and cold. In Robbie's world, he's not looking for perfection, rather whatever works for those he loves and himself. We can all find this in ourselves as we follow his story. And we can all be better with his touch.

ABOUT THE CAST

WILLIAM PATRICK RUFFIN (Robbie Hendrick)

William Patrick “Will” Ruffin, 16 years old, attends Chamberlain-Hunt Military Academy in Port Gibson, Mississippi, where he excels academically as well as holds a high rank and leadership role. He has lived in Greenville, Mississippi, since age 3, and has always attended a Christian-based school. Will had no formal acting experience prior to being cast in THE DYNAMITER, however he was often cast in lead roles in school plays. His enthusiasm and work ethic on the set of The Dynamiter kept the whole crew moving. Will plans to pursue a career in acting.

JOHN ALEX NUNNERY (Fess Hendrick)

John Alex Nunnery, 11 Years Old, attends Lamar Elementary School in Meridian, MS. When not in school he focuses his time as a member of the Meridian Swim Team, his Boy Scout troop, reading and drawing. He completed his Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do from the International Tae Kwon Do Alliance last year. John Alex has been performing in school plays since Kindergarten as well as on the local community theater stage. He went to audition for the role of Fess after hearing of the production on Mississippi Public Radio. After several readings with Director, Matt Gordon, his winning personality earned him the role in THE DYNAMITER.



ABOUT THE FILMMAKERS

MATTHEW GORDON Director

Born in Baltimore, Maryland USA on December 12, 1970, Matthew attended high school in Baltimore at Gilman School where he began his interest in photography, music and the arts.

He graduated from Middlebury College in 1993 with a degree in liberal arts and went on to teach in eastern Europe for two years before directing and photographing his first feature documentary, "Novi Sad", about the youth culture of Serbia during the Bosnian war in 1996. Matthew graduated from the directing program at the American Film Institute in 2005. His thesis film at AFI, "The Honeyfields" (2005, 21 mins.), was accepted at film festivals all over the world and won numerous prizes.

Matthew has been working in film and television for 15 years while living in New York City, Los Angeles, and Texas during these years. The majority of his work has focused on making documentaries for television on topics ranging from international politics to resident doctors to police dramas. His credits include field producer for the TV documentary series "The First 48", "Dallas SWAT", and "Resident Life" for American television.

"The Dynamiter" is the first feature film Matthew has directed.

He lives and works with his wife, Marianne, between New York City and Dallas, Texas.

FILMOGRAPHY

2000- "Novi Sad" (88 mins-documentary)
director, camera, producer

2005- "The Honeyfields" (21 mins)
director, producer

2010- "The Dynamiter" (73 mins)
director, producer, story

KEVIN ABRAMS BIO Editor

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Kevin Abrams received his MFA in directing from the American Film Institute. Since then he has worked in various capacities directing, producing, and editing for NBC, MTV, ABC, Animal Planet, Discovery and a host of other networks. In 2008 he founded Fairtrade Films, an intellectual property development company and has created graphic novels, video games, music videos, television series and screenplays for a variety of companies including Epcot Disney, Universal Pictures, Darkhorse Entertainment, Landscape Entertainment, Kaplan Entertainment, and IBM. Presently, he is in pre-production on his directorial debut, Sunday at Four, and loves to floss daily.

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JEFFREY WALDRON Cinematographer/DP

Born in the United States, Jeffrey spent his formative years all around, living in seven cities in four countries on three continents before graduating high school. His passion for stories and images brought him to Los Angeles, where he graduated Cum Laude from the prestigious Cinema-Television Production program at the University of South California and later obtained his MFA in Cinematography from the American Film Institute,. Jeffrey currently works in Los Angeles as a professional cinematographer and still photographer.

BRAD INGELSBY Story, Writer

Brad is the second oldest of five children. He holds degrees from Villanova University and the American Film Institute where he was a screenwriting fellow. He is an avid college basketball fan.

CASEY GORDON Executive Producer

Casey has been the Private Equity & Business Development Manager at The Capital Partnership in London since 2006. He is responsible for private equity investments & new business development, including work on the firm's corporate initiatives. He previously served as an investment associate with The Steinberg Fund, a private equity fund investing in Ukraine. Casey holds a BA in Sociology from Johns Hopkins University and an MBA from the MIT Sloan School of Management. He is married with two children. This is Casey's first journey into the world of feature film making with his brother Matthew's "The Dynamiter."

TODD MURPHY Executive Producer

Born in Baltimore, MD in 1970, Todd Murphy currently resides in Fernandina Beach, FL where he works as an Anesthesiologist and as an Executive Producer for Elysium Films. He is the father of two young children, a private pilot, and an outlaw in Peru.

GEORGE K.D. HOPKINS Executive Producer

George was born in the United States of America in the city of Baltimore, Maryland. Prior to his current residence in Qatar as head of the American School there, George had been an educator for 3 years in Thessaloniki, Greece and 2 years in Amman, Jordan. He is a graduate of Franklin & Marshall College with a bachelor's degree in government and holds two master's degrees: one in mathematics education from Bank Street College in New York (MSEd) and the other in international business administration from Long Island University, also in New York (MBA). "The Dynamiter" has been a passion for George for the last four years while he served many capacities to see it come to fruition.

KARTHIK ACHAR Executive producer

While both a U.S. and French citizen, Karthik currently resides in London, England. He heads the European office of a US-based investment fund and serves as an Executive Producer for Elysium Films. As a former student of Improvisation and Meisner-based acting, Karthik is an active supporter of Independent Films.

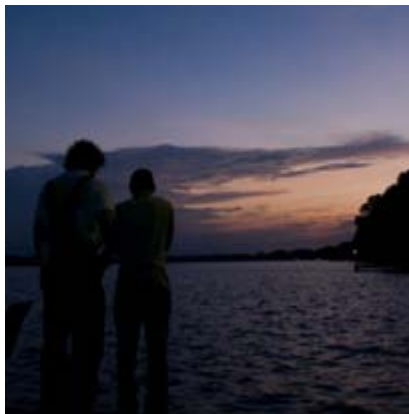
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MARIANNE MICHALLET GORDON Executive producer

Marianne worked in the banking industry for 7 years in Paris and New York before turning to filmmaking and film financing. She is currently directing and producing her first documentary about Wall Street. She holds a MBA degree from ESCP Europe. Marianne serves as an Executive Producer for Elysium Films and resides in New York City with her husband, Matthew.



ON SET



CREDITS

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DIRECTOR

Matthew Gordon

WRITER

Brad Ingelsby

STORY BY

Brad Ingelsby | Matthew Gordon

CAST

Robbie Hendrick

Fess Hendrick

Lucas Hendrick

Mamie

Principal Curtis

Gimmel

Mothe

Timmy Feller

Lard Ass Gagne

Willie Buck

Willie's Aide

Lickspittle 1

Lickspittle 2

Lickspittle 3

Lickspittle 4

Katherine Ingram

Billy

Dezzie

Sheriff Addison

Flatbed Driver

Timmy's Girlfriend

Mrs. Kellman

Kissy Kellman

Lard Ass' Girlfriend

Waitress at Gus

Sheriff's Deputy 1

Deputy Guthrie

Sheriff's Deputy 2

BBQ Waitress

Dancing Pig

Old Man Cooper

Sedan Driver

William Patrick Ruffin

John Alex Nunnery

Patrick Rutherford

Ciara McMillian

Lane Rodgers

Joyce Baldwin

Debra Toth

Braxton Gordon

Caleb Chambers

Casey Brown

Ron Brown

Zach Warren

Maddux Manning

Daniel Smith

Kyle Manning

Mary "Winkie" Wingfield

Sug"

Dezzie

Byron Hughes

Dale Mann

Courtney Tharp

Amie Ruffin

Sarah Fortner

Summer Gordon

Sandy Whatley

Gary Jones

Jeff Widdington

Jeff Nick

Casey Heflin

Kelly Truax

Mike Jones

Steve Mitchell

CREDITS

CAST (continued)

Reminiscing Driver
Henry
Sylvie
Zoey
Foster Mother
Preacher
Lard Ass' Older Brother
Older bully
Young Waitres
School Bus Driver
Mamie's Dad
Old Man at Gus'
Old Woman at Gus'
Social Worker
Students

Arthur Arrington
Robert Demery
Becky Mobely
Hannah Feltus
Debra Jenkins
Lee Blaylock
Charlton Smith
Ryan Jackson
Sandy Whatley
Henry Nathaniel
Eugene Ellis
Sydney Warren
Mrs. Warren
Pierce Allen Stevens, Jr.
Cameron Allen Stevens
Kelli Michelle Stevens
Jason Coslet
Sarah Hodnett
Davis Ruffin

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER

Karthik Achar
Todd Murphy
George Dritsas
Casey Gordon
Matthew Gordon
Nicola Benizzi
Ray Gordon
Geoff Grayson
Jon Owsley
Art Jones
Marianne Michallet
Erik Goshin

PRODUCER

Matthew Gordon
Kevin Abrams
Mike Jones
Nate Tuck
Amile Wilson
Art Jones
Merilee Holt

ASSOCIATE PRODUCER

Kate Brewster
Derek Gabbert
Marianne Michallet
Lauren Morgan
Brandon Boyd

CINEMATOGRAPHER

Jeffrey Waldron

EDITOR

Kevin Abrams
Brandon Boyd

ADDITIONAL EDITOR

Josh Noyes
Emily Paine
Tat Ho Yee

PRODUCTION DESIGNER

Michael Scherschel

CREDITS

PROPERTY MASTER

Mariah Mills

COSTUME DESIGNER

Shareen Chehade

KEY MAKEUP

Jillian Erickson

MAKEUP ASST.

Casey Heflin

PRODUCTION MANAGER

Mike Jones

FIRST ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Nate Tuck

SECOND ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Lee Blaylock

SOUND RECORDING

Clarence "Doc" Davis

BOOM OPERATOR

Landry Prichard

Ryan Jackson

Sound Recording

Clarence "Doc" Davis

BOOM OPERATOR

Landry Prichard

Ryan Jackson

FIGHT CHOREOGRAPHY

Ryan Jackson

CAMERA OPERATOR

Brian Burgoyne

FIRST CAMERA ASSISTANT

Mark Legaspi

SECOND CAMERA ASSISTANT

John Paul Clark

Daniel Zapata

GAFFER

Timothy Gillis

BEST BOY ELECTRICIAN

Matthew Muccia

KEY GRIP

Armando Ballesteros

BEST BOY GRIP

Derek Gabbert

EQUIPMENT PROVIDED BY

Camera and Lenses furnished by Otter Creek Productions, Inc.

Camera and Lenses furnished by Andy Dean Grip and Electrics gear furnished by Day 1 Production Services, Inc.

Additional Equipment furnished by The Camera House
Additional Equipment furnished by IndieRentals

TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED BY

Ceranti Motors, Greenville, MS

CASTING

Lee Blaylock

Derek Gabbert

Matthew Gordon

Amile Wilson

CATERING DIRECTOR

Arthur Arrington

Kountry Market, Glen Allan, MS

CRAFT SERVICES

Gloria Gonnillini

Debra Toth

Dale Mann

CREDITS

PRODUCTION ASSISTANT

Ryan Jackson
Jonathan Duvall Jenkins
Kelly Truax

GRAPHIC DESIGN AND ARTWORK

Denise Lopez
Elena Colombo
Craig Marsala

ORIGINAL MUSIC

Animal Collective from the album "Feels"
Casey Immoor

FILM USED IN THEATRE SCENE

"Orbus Romanus"

SPECIAL THANKS

Tim Hathaway
Sue Joe Shin
Chip Linehan
Brian DeRan
David Lush
Animal Collective
Brandon Terrell
Great Jones Productions- "probably
the best"
Ray Gordon
Francoise Gordon
Sara, Rafael, and Bronia Gordon
Nina Parihk, Ward Emling and the Whole
Mississippi Film Office In Jackson
Sneaky Bean Coffee
Cups Café, Jackson, MS
Rich Parker
Michael Ingelsby
Craig Marsala
Gregers Heering
Edward St. Pe
Pat Dyson

Matt Shaw
Bait N Thangs
Tami, Jim, Anna and James Harreld
Tim Bixler
Robbie Fisher
Bubba and Delores Lawler
Patsy Broach
Charles Gardner & Family
Sheriff Milton Gaston
Merilee Holt
Josh Anderson
Lauren Thompson
David Irby
Victor Parra
Wesley Smith
Washington County Convention and Visitor's Bureau
Gus' Restaurant
Jim's Café, Greenville, MS
Kountry Market
David Orr
Tabb's BBQ
Sherman's Restaurant
Spectator's
Lobee and Lobee Legal Services
Sharon Ward
Josh, Chris, and Darleen Jones
Washington County Sheriff Department
Marianne Michallet Gordon

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