

LUST FOR VENGEANCE

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10th anniversary explicit version with extended scenes of sex and drug use (18 and older).

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ATTRIBUTES

Principle Production: November 2001

Run Time: 85 minutes

Production Value: Ultra Low Budget

Format: NTSC

Aspect Ratio: 1.33:1

Sound Mix: Stereo

Studio: Full Circle Filmworks

Locations: The boroughs of Queens & Manhattan, NY

Set In: 1980s New York City

FLAGS

Strong Sexual Content

Nudity

Violence

Substance Abuse

Adult Situations

Adult Language

Adult Humor

LUST FOR VENGEANCE CAN BE FOUND ON THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES

Imdb.com

Amazon.com

Allrovi.com

Wikipedia.com

Moviefone.com

Fandango.com

Rottentomatoes.com

Mrskin.com

Fullcirclefilmworks.com

Sover.net/~ozus (movie review)

Thisissomescene.com (movie review)

Shockingimages.com (movie review)

Pulpmovies.com (movie review)

Scaredstiffreviews.com (movie review)

Celluloidnightmares.co.uk (movie review)

Dvdverdict.com (movie review)

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PRINCIPAL CREW

Sean Weathers - Executive
 Producer/Screenwriter/Director/Editor
Aswad Issa - Producer/Cinematographer
Kurt Thomas - Associate Producer
George Lopez - Associate Producer
Glenn "Illa" Skeete - Sound
Jeff Roches - Continuity
Frank West - Casting Coordinator
Damien Lambert - Storyboard
Jahvaughn Lambert - Script Supervisor

TAG LINES

5 Women obsessed with sex & drugs pay for their sins.
 Let the naked bodies hit the floor.
 Even the guilty seek retribution.
 5 women, 1 killer
 Bad girls go to Hell

GENRE

Adult
 Thriller

TYPE

Softcore Sex Film
 Sexploitation
 Erotic Thriller
 Giallo
 Slasher Film
 Roughie

ARTISTIC/PRODUCTION STYLES

Psychedelic
Episodic
Non-linear

PREMISE

Wantons

MESSAGE

Bad girls go to hell.

CONCEPT

Five women obsessed with sex and drugs pay for their sins.

WHY IS THIS FILM RELEVANT?

Lust for Vengeance was inspired by Giallo films. Giallo is the name for a distinct set of Italian thrillers from the 60s that combined crime, murder, eroticism, nudity, mystery, & whodunits, with stylish visuals. Adapted in the U.S. into slasher films in the 70s. This is the first and only true Giallo film ever made in the U.S. to date.

CONTEXT

Weathers locked himself in a room for over a month watching over 100 Italian thrillers for inspiration for this film. Noting the themes of complex murder mysteries that emphasized stylish visuals, techno scores, the whodunit element, violence, gore, large amounts of melodrama via Italy's long standing tradition of opera drama. They also generally include liberal amounts of nudity and sex.

SIMILAR MOVIES

Valentine, Requiem for a Dream, Deep Red, The Amazing Transplant, Motor Psycho, Bad Girls Go to Hell, The Naughty Stewardesses, Porno Holocaust

PLOT SUMMARY

Michael Richards is a rapist and murderer, but in his mind he's a victim out to get retribution against the women who have wronged him. The film uses the [[sequence approach]] and follows each of the five female leads as opposed to a timeline. The film shifts back and forth to follow the point of view of each of the women as they are stalked and haunted by the blood hunger psychopath. Each sequence shows the women engage in graphic drug use and sex, that both come off very real to the naked eye, and reveals a little bit more of the story before each woman is ultimately "judged" by Michael.

THEMES

Woman In Jeopardy
Serial Killers
Criminal's Revenge
Haunted By the Past
Drug Addiction

MOTIFS

IN HIS OWN WORDS - The killer writing down payback and the women's names on his wall and crossing them off as he kills

them. This is used as a narrative structure to move the story-line along and remind the viewers of the killers constant presence though he is hardly ever seen.

SYMBOLS

COLORS - various color jells were used to enhance the emotions of the different scenes as well as giving the overall film a more psychedelic look and feel to go with the constant drug use.

TONE

Lurid

MOODS

Sexual, Paranoid, Tense, Hallucinatory, Stylized, Cynical

MAJOR CONFLICT

For all 5 sequences - Michael is back for revenge against the girls that put him away in juvenile detention for rape.

OPENING IMAGE

The killer's hand

EXPOSITION

We see the names of the five lead characters on a wall under the writing "Payback" and the gloved hand of the killer crossing them out.

THE SEQUENCE APPROACH

In the early days of cinema, technical matters forced filmmakers to divide their stories into sequences, each the length of a reel. The "sequence approach," mimics that early style. Each sequence serves as "mini-movies," with their own compressed three-act structure. This film is told in 5 sequences that follow the main characters, rather than the time line.

Sequence 1) Stephanie

RISING ACTION - At Jennifer's funeral the detective brings up Michael Richards as a possible connection to her death.

CLIMAX - Michael breaks into Stephanie's apartment and watches her masturbate.

FALLING ACTION - Michael kills Stephanie.

Sequence 2) Lisa

RISING ACTION - Lisa tells the detective the secret they've been keeping about Michael.

CLIMAX - Michael breaks into Lisa's apartment and watches her undress.

FALLING ACTION - Lisa finds Anna dead with a note from Michael.

Sequence 3) Anna

RISING ACTION - After a tawdry one-night stand, Anna finds comfort in binging on food.

CLIMAX - After Lisa catches Anna throwing up, they have a heart to heart about her bulimia.

FALLING ACTION - Anna thinks she's telling Lisa about her decision to seek help for her problems, however it turns out to be Michael, who kills her.

Sequence 4) Beth

RISING ACTION - After shooting up heroin, Beth reflects solemnly in the mirror about having to screw her dealer to get it.

CLIMAX - Beth and her boyfriend Steve snort the rest of the heroin before having sex.

FALLING ACTION - Michael impales Beth and Steve while they are having sex.

Sequence 5) Jennifer

RISING ACTION - After snorting coke in the bathroom Jennifer comes back to find her date naked and ready for sex.

CLIMAX - While Jennifer is have a night of wild sex, Michael puts on his gear to go and kill her.

FALLING ACTION - Michael stalks and kills Jennifer.

DÉNOUEMENT

After getting his bloody revenge Michael is revealed to be Detective David White, he has a sadistic smirk on his face and starts laughing manically at the thought of getting away with the murders.

CHARACTER BREAKDOWNS

Character (protagonist): JENNIFER

Age: 22

Status: Single

Orientation: Bisexual

Hometown: Queens, NY

Body type: Voluptuous

Ethnicity: Latino

Religion: Not religious, but believes in God

Zodiac Sign: Aries

Children: Doesn't want kids

Education: Dropped out of college in her sophomore year after she was caught on video tape having sex with 5 members of the lacrosse team.

Hobbies: Partying, club hopping

Occupation: Secretary

In A Word: Wanton

Driving Force: Getting wasted (drugs and alcohol), sex
Breakdown: She likes getting wasted, partying and blacking out. Waking up the next day naked and hammered in another guys apartment is her idea of living it up.

Character (protagonist): LISA

Age: 24

Status: Single

Orientation: Straight

Hometown: Liverpool, Merseyside (England)

Body type: Slim/Slender

Ethnicity: Caucasian

Religion: Catholic

Zodiac Sign: Pisces

Children: Wants kids

Education: Bachelors in nursing

Hobbies: Yoga

Occupation: Registered nurse (RN)

In A Word: Motherly

Driving Force: Helping others

Breakdown: Career minded single woman. She has stayed close with her childhood friends and does her best to help them when she can without overstepping her bounds. Including getting Beth into drug rehab in the past and trying to help Anna with her eating disorder.

Character (protagonist): ANNA

Age: 24

Status: Single

Orientation: Straight

Hometown: Queens, NY

Body type: Curvy

Ethnicity: African American

Religion: Not religious, but believes in God

Zodiac Sign: Cancer

Children: Some day

Education: Bachelors in general studies

Hobbies: going to the gym, dating, eating

Occupation: Aspiring model/actress

In A Word: Bulimic

Driving Force: Physical perfection

Breakdown: Anna has the, "thick in all the right places" body. However she is also a big mac away from being too thick. With the inner need and outside pressure to look perfect she suffers from bulimia also called the, binge-purge syndrome. Characterized by frequent episodes of grossly excessive food intake followed by self-induced vomiting to avert weight gain.

Character (protagonist): BETH

Age: 22

Status: In a relationship

Orientation: Straight

Hometown: Delmas, Sud (Haiti)
Body type: Athletic
Ethnicity: Caribbean
Religion: Born again Christian
Zodiac Sign: Scorpio
Children: Some day
Education: Bachelors in mass media
Hobbies: Doing drugs
Occupation: Floor manager at City Tech Telemarketing
In A Word: Addict
Driving Force: Getting high
Breakdown: Despite a near death overdose, selling her body for drugs on more than one occasion, a falling out with her parents after being caught shooting up and being talked into going to rehab by Lisa, she still refuses to quit using heroin.

Character (protagonist): STEPHANIE

Age: 23
Status: Single
Orientation: Closeted Lesbian, she is secretly in love with Lisa.
Hometown: Queens, NY
Body type: More to love
Ethnicity: Caucasian
Religion: Catholic
Zodiac Sign: Virgo
Children: Wants to adopt kids when she meets the right girl.
Education: Bachelors in management
Hobbies: Playing with her sex toys and watching porn
Occupation: Waitress
In A Word: Loner
Driving Force: Paranoia
Breakdown: She lives alone and doesn't want or have a boyfriend, although she is still not ready to openly pursue women. She is the most fearful of the girls that Michael is back for revenge.

Character (antagonist): MICHAEL RICHARDS/DAVID WHITE

Age: 25
Status: Single
Orientation: Bisexual
Hometown: Queens, NY
Body type: Athletic
Ethnicity: Caucasian
Religion: Baptist
Zodiac Sign: Capricorn
Children: Doesn't want kids
Education: Masters in psychology
Hobbies: Chess, biking (motorcycle)
Occupation: None (independently wealthy)
In A Word: Bitter
Driving Force: Revenge
Breakdown: He was always demented as a child but after being

put in juvenile detention for sexual assault it made him snap. Shortly after getting out he killed his parents, who were rich, because he felt they should have been able to get him out, but chose not too. Now he's back for the girls that ratted him out and will stop at nothing for bloody revenge.
Breakdown [DETECTIVE DAVID WHITE]: This character is killed off screen before the film starts and his identity is assumed by Michael Richards.

Character: STEVE

Age: 19

Status: In a relationship

Orientation: Straight

Hometown: Queens, NY

Body type: Slim/Slender

Ethnicity: African American

Religion: Not religious

Zodiac Sign: Sagittarius

Children: Some day

Education: Dropped out of high school in the 10th grade

Hobbies: He spends most of his time scheming for ways to get drugs.

Occupation: None

In A Word: Junkie

Driving Force: Getting high

Breakdown: Beth's boyfriend, he lives in his mother's basement. He and his mother are both junkies and he wakes up everyday scheming and trying to think of ways to get money for drugs.

Character: ANTHONY

Age: 28

Status: Single

Orientation: Bisexual

Hometown: Mandeville, Manchester (Jamaica)

Body type: Athletic

Ethnicity: Caribbean

Religion: Not religious

Zodiac Sign: Taurus

Children: Has a 6 year old boy that lives with his mother in Mandeville.

Education: Bachelors in arts

Hobbies: Going to the gym and lifting weights

Occupation: Model

In A Word: Gigolo

Driving Force: Sex and money

Breakdown: A sexually ambivalent playboy, who spends a lot of time on his looks. He sleeps with both men and women for money, gifts and pleasure.

Character: MARK

Age: 26

Status: Single

Orientation: Straight

Hometown: Bronx, NY
Body type: Average
Ethnicity: Caucasian
Religion: Methodist
Zodiac Sign: Leo
Children: Some day
Education: High school graduate
Hobbies: Writing and performing poetry
Occupation: Orderly
In A Word: Creepy
Driving Force: Loosing his virginity
Breakdown: He works as an orderly at the same hospital as Lisa. He's paying Steve in medical marijuana to help him loose his virginity.

Character: KENNY
Age: 24
Status: Straight
Orientation: In a relationship
Hometown: Miami, FL
Body type: Athletic
Ethnicity: Dominican
Religion: Catholic
Zodiac Sign: Gemini
Children: 2 girls
Education: Bachelors in sports medicine
Hobbies: Video games
Occupation: Pro football player
In A Word: Player
Driving Force: Women [the more the better!]
Breakdown: A marginal pro football player that is barely in the league, but uses it to his advantage with impressionable women to get laid.

Character: PUTNEY SWOPE
Age: 27
Status: Married
Orientation: Straight
Hometown: Anaheim, CA
Body type: Athletic
Ethnicity: Caucasian
Religion: Not religious
Zodiac Sign: Taurus
Children: 1 boy, 8 years old
Education: High school graduate
Hobbies: Cheating on his wife
Occupation: Drug dealer
In A Word: Snake
Driving Force: Money and sex
Breakdown: He's a local dealer who supplies for Beth and Steve. Steve talks Beth into having sex with Putney for heroin.

Character: SPIDER

Age: 26
Status: Single
Orientation: Straight
Hometown: Queens, NY
Body type: Athletic
Ethnicity: African American
Religion: Born again Christian
Zodiac Sign: Virgo
Children: Some day
Education: High school graduate
Hobbies: Club hopping
Occupation: Club promoter
In A Word: Poser
Driving Force: Desperately trying to be cool
Breakdown: He's friends of Steve and Mark, Spider works as a club promoter to try and get into the in-crowd and meet hot chicks.

PRODUCTION NOTES

In the fall of 2001 director Sean Weathers and producer Aswad Issa set out to shoot principal photography for their third film together. Weathers wanted to write a script that would be easy to shoot and at the same time meet his personal and artistic requirements. The result was a uniquely structured psychedelic giallo that was both episodic and non-linear while at the same time incorporating the sequence approach developed by Frank Daniel. The film was written, cast, rehearsed, and principal photography was shot, within a one month span. The sequence of scenes with the Jennifer character were held off for over two years, until the right girl for the part was found. Although the character was only intended to have a death scene, the actress that was cast impressed Weathers so much that he extended her part from minor supporting role to lead actress.

TRIVIA

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- Jennifer's scenes were held off for over two years, until the right actress for the part was found.
- Lust for Vengeance has footage from three other unfinished films in it, most notably the lesbian love scene from, Escape from Bloodbath Island.

KEYWORDS

Sean Weathers, Full Circle, Full Circle Filmworks, Aswad Issa, Drive In, Murder, Cocaine, Serial Killer, Revenge, Ten Little Indians, Blaxploitation, Whodunit, Weed, Detective, Grindhouse, Exploitation, Multiple Murder, Giallo, Spellbinder, B Movie, Indie, Sadist, Stylized, Roughie, Sexploitation, Playmate, Psycho, Maniac, Black Gloves,

Midnight Movie, Lurid, Violence, Slasher, Killed During Sex, Video Nasty, Blood, Double Impalement, Celebrity, Death, Character's Point Of View Camera Shot, Sole Survivor, Nudie Cuties, Lust, Masked Killer, Friendship, Twist In The End, Motorcycle Killer, Drugs, Independent Film, Eroticism, Gialli, Woman In Jeopardy, Criminal's Revenge, Haunted By The Past, Psychedelic, Episodic, Non-linear, Paranoid, Tense, Hallucinatory, Revenge, Heroin, coke, nude, naked, nudity, sex, tits, ass, boobs, girls, sex tape, women, booty, free, busty, babe, sexy, celeb, softcore, erotic, HLA, girl on girl, lesbian