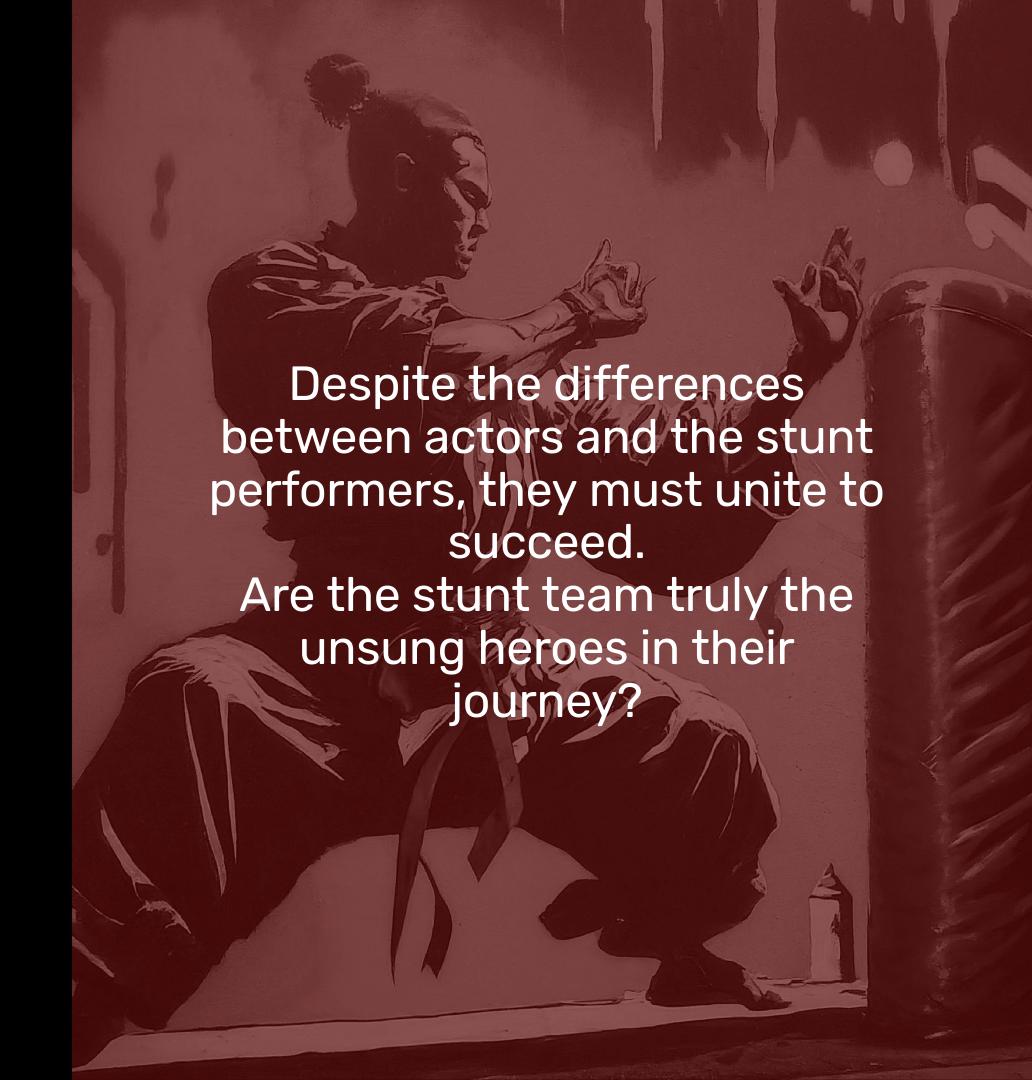


ABOUT THIS PROJECT

Genre	Documentary, drama, action	
Length	90-minute documentary feature	
Audiences	Ages 14-45, diverse ethnic/racial groups, action film enthusiasts	
Budget	\$500,000 to \$650,000	
Funding	Crowdfunding (GoFundMe, Patreon, Kickstarter)	
Locations	North New Jersey, New York City, Los Angeles	

A team of stunt performers attempts to find common ground on the issues concerning the need for stunt doubles and the risks they undergo to produce a short, low-budget action movie.

THIS STORY DETAILS THE LIFE BEHIND A **GROUP OF STUNT** PERFORMERSWHILE ATTEMPTINGTO DELVEINTOTHE **PHYSICAL AND** MENTAL SACRIFICES THAT THEY FACE.



TENTALINE GAST

A tentative list of stunt performers, selected based on their social media following, video content, location, and filmmaking styles. Creativity is one of the most important attributes for casting because their goal is to use their different experiences to create a unified vision of their film. Through their differences in experience, there is a unique chemistry.

ART SCHOOL DROPOUTS

Bio

Art School Dropouts is a New Jersey-based media group specializing in micro-budget, highly experimental martial arts and action comedy filmmaking. As East Coast-based micro-influencers, they are much easier to contact.

Their channels are run by Stephanie Pham and Joey Min.

Social Media

YouTube - 12.5K subscribers Instagram - 4,695 followers X/Twitter - 1,621 followers Facebook - 29K followers



OMARZAKI

Bio

Zaki is a Los Angeles-based actor, stunt choreographer, and content creator. He is known for his cosplay parkour videos and fan films. He is highly adaptable and able to learn different styles of choreography and martial arts.

He has worked as stunt performer for *Ahsoka*, *Mortal Kombat 1*, *The Fabelmans*, and more.

Social Media

YouTube - 303K subscribers Instagram - 15K followers X/Twitter - 550 followers TikTok - 33.6K followers, 494.7K likes



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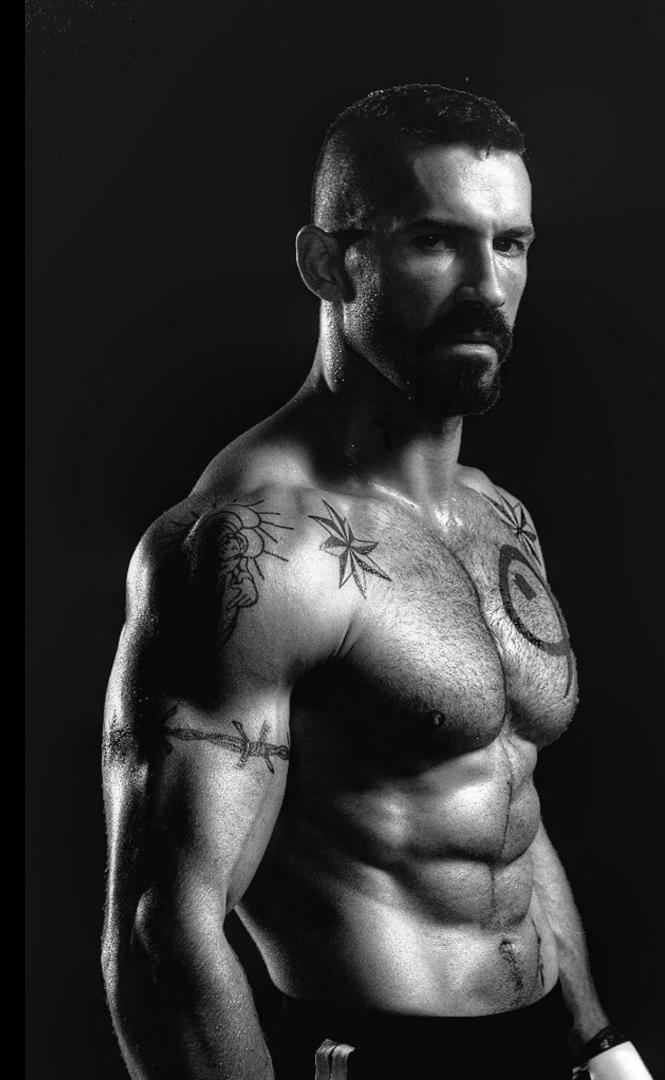
Bio

Adkins is a film producer, actor, martial artist, and stunt choreographer who has worked on films such as *Ip Man 4: The Finale*, John Wick: Chapter 4, and more. He has experience in Taekwondo, Kickboxing, Karate, MMA, and other martial arts.

He runs a YouTube channel where he interviews other martial artists and trailers for his movies.

Social Media

YouTube – 972K subscribers Instagram – 3.4M followers X/Twitter – 170.7K followers



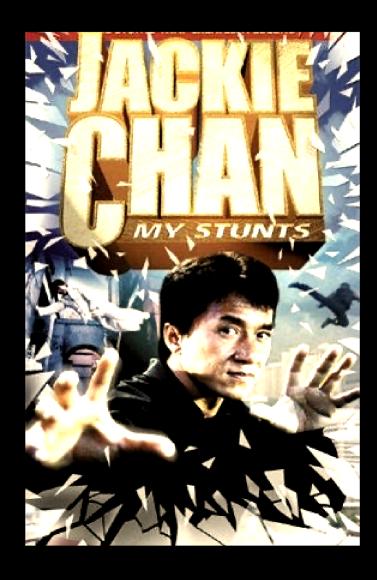
PRODUCTION SCHEDULE

April 2024–August 2024	August 2024–April 2025	May-November 2025	April-July 2025
Development	Preproduction	Production	Postproduction
 Writing script and interview outline Research Contacting talents and conduct pre-interviews 	 Finalize casting talents Crew hiring (both tri-state and California) Budgeting, scheduling, location scouting Camera set-up (for interviews) 	 May-July 2025 - Shooting in New Jersey and New York August 2025 - Shooting online interviews (if any case are unavailable in-person) September-November 2025 - Shooting in Los Angeles, California 	 Adding music, color grading, voice-over Rough cut Trailer cut Final cut Marketing & Distribution

MARKETING & DISTRIBUTION

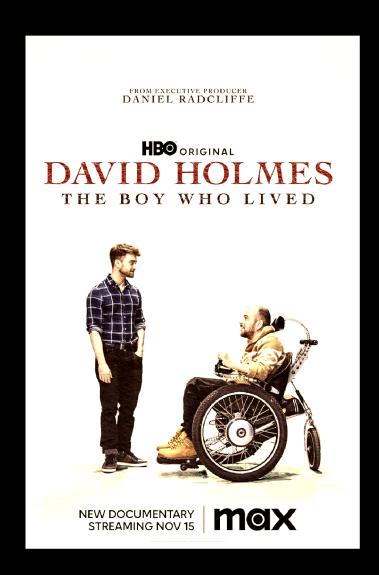
Film Festivals & Events	Promotional Marketing	Distributors	Streaming Options
 Larger Events: Atlanta Film Festival Sundance Film Festival Toronto International Film Festival 	Social Media Platforms:YouTubeTikTokInstagramX/Twitter	 A24 Netflix Focus Features Magnolia Pictures (has distributed independent and documentary films, as well as Asian films Virgil Films & Entertainment (feature documentaries, smaller scale) 	 Netflix Hulu Max (HBO Max) Cartoon Network (would need to adjust tone of story)
 Smaller Events: Urban Action Showcase & Expo ActionFest LA Action Film Festival The Valley Film Festival 	 Marketing Strategies: Digital campaign (challenge viewers to create action scene or mimic their favorite martial artist for a prize) Cross-promotion (other channels could post trailer on their page) 		

COMPS



Jackie Chan: My Stunts 1998

Features a behind-thescenes look at stunt performers and fight choreography.



The Boy Who Lived 2023

Highlights the chemistry between the actor and stunt double and the physical safety risks within the stunt choreography.



20 Feet from Stardom 2013

Behind-the-scenes look at background performers and shine a spotlight on their profession.

PRODUCED BY AARON HALL

Aaron Hall is from Northern New Jersey from Chinese parents. Born in a strict Chinese household, he is surrounded by Chinese films and TV.

His favorite actor is Jackie Chan, whom he credits as a huge influence for his passion for films.

He graduated from S.I. School of Public Communications at Syracuse University and majored in Television, Radio, and Film.

He is holding an Emmy Award in this picture, which he enjoyed posing with during one of his Newhouse professor's office hours.



FILM MAKER STATEMENT



At its core, this film is an homage to action movies, specifically Hong Kong cinema. However, this film provides a behind-the-scenes, more introspective insight into this below-the-line work.

My initial inspiration came from my childhood, where I was exposed to Chinese media, since I came from Chinese immigrant parents.

I was immediately blown away by Jackie Chan's films due to his resilience, athletic abilities, and his humor. Equally important was his ability to make me feel empowered as an Asian, given that he often played heroes and leading roles. I want to investigate the lives of stuntpeople and cover the highs and lows of their lives. I also want to answer the burning question: Do stuntpeople feel overshadowed by film lead actors? Do stuntpeople ever wish to have leading roles in stories?

Ultimately, this film is more than just stunts and martial arts. It is about the general appreciation of below-the-line crew.

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