



HEART OF DREAMS

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THE SCORE

MAKING OF: THE HEART OF DREAMS

With a rising, award-winning director with a vision, an excellent script and plenty of funding, from both various public institutions and wealthy investors, the movie was going to be the biggest, most talked about since Star Wars.

Things didn't go quite as planned. The director insisted on a remote location for the shoot based on some half-spoken dream. He always seems to get mad when anyone brings it up. The conditions are horrible. Weather is a problem on most days and the shoot is over a year behind. Tensions are high, because there seems to be no end to this. The director and the star have been on each others throats for months, but most of the crew just wants to get by day to day.

MOVIE NIGHT

Burden of Dreams, Hearts of Darkness: A Filmmaker's Apocalypse, Full Tilt Boogie, Lost in La Mancha, Lost Soul: The Doomed Journey of Richard Stanley's Island of Dr. Moreau

RELATIONSHIPS...

■ PROFESSIONAL

- Business partners
- Foreman and local
- Talent and personal assistant
- Uncredited writing team
- Representative of the financiers and the head accountant.
- Head of security and the bodyguard for **Ms. Calvert**.

■ ADVERSARIAL

- Finalists in the Best Butt competition.
- Auditioned for the same role.
- Union representative / producer
- Some beef no-one even remembers the origins of.
- Friendly competition that got out of hand.
- Differing visions for the movie.

■ ROMANTIC

- Spouses (or ex-spouses)
- Courting the main lead of the movie
- Lovers
- Unrequited love
- One-night stand at the *Jumping on Welsman* wrap-up party couple of years back.
- Romantic rivals

BACK HOME

- ▣ Neighbours
- ▣ In the same book club
- ▣ Cousins
- ▣ College buddies
- ▣ Worked at the same theatre
- ▣ Served time together

FRIENDSHIP

- ▣ Because there's no-one else cool enough.
- ▣ Late comers naturally gravitated to each other.
- ▣ Common target of hatred led to a lot of time spent together.
- ▣ Drinking buddies
- ▣ Common interest (not that kind of interest)
- ▣ Because no-one else likes you.

SHARED SECRETS

- ▣ It was either this or THAT foreign movie.
- ▣ The ones who had the idea of spiking the punch with the local intoxicant,
- ▣ Peeping hole in **Ms. Calvert's** trailer.
- ▣ Accidentally destroyed all footage for one day.
- ▣ Masons
- ▣ It was either this or the Foreign Legion.

...ON A TROPICAL ISLAND.

NEEDS...

■ TO PROVE YOURSELF...

- ... to the director.
- ▣ ...as a serious actor/actress.
- ▤ ...you don't fancy him/her.
- ▥ ...you can make it in the show biz.
- ▦ ...you weren't cursed for saying "*MacBeth*" at the local theatre.
- ▧ ...to your parents, who have never supported you.

■ TO FINALLY RESOLVE...

- ... those professional differences.
- ▣ ... an old debt.
- ▤ ... who stole your ham sandwich.
- ▥ ... your crisis of faith.
- ▦ ... your fear of heights.
- ▧ ... that bet.

■ TO BE CREATIVE...

- ...by doing the greatest prank ever.
- ▣ ...by finding a way to show off your talents on the movie.
- ▤ ...by painting a mural on the trailers.
- ▥ ...on your own terms.
- ▦ ...if they'd just let me
- ▧ ...enough to move the next stage of your career.

❖ TO MAKE THE MOST OF THIS...

- ❑ ... by enjoying the environment.
- ❑ ... by sampling the local intoxicants.
- ❑ ... by making someone else's life a living hell.
- ❖ ... before someone finds out your true identity.
- ❖ ... before they realise you are here to sabotage the shoot.
- ❖ ... by abusing the local laws that aren't really up to Western standards.

❖ TO SURVIVE...

- ❑ ... this shoot without going insane.
- ❑ ... that stunt no-one has attempted before.
- ❑ ... that jump into the ocean from the cliffs.
- ❖ ... that jump into the lagoon from the cliffs.
- ❖ ... this shoot without resorting to alcohol.
- ❖ ... with your reputation intact.

❖ TO GET OUT...

- ❑ ... of this stifling environment.
- ❑ ... of this bet.
- ❑ ... by having what fun you can
- ❖ ... from under the producers gaze.
- ❖ ... of the football game against the locals.
- ❖ ... of this stifling marriage.

...DURING THE PROLONGED SHOOTING.

LOCATIONS...

● TRAILERS

- ▣ Make-up trailer
- ▣ Abandoned trailer
- ▣ **Mr. Hertz's** trailer
- ▣ Director's trailer
- ▣ Armorer's trailer
- ▣ Unbuilt trailer

● SHOOTING LOCATIONS

- ▣ 120 feet high waterfall
- ▣ Palm beach
- ▣ Shoddily build replica of a colonial era mansion
- ▣ Narrow road at the edge of the cliff
- ▣ Mosquito infested swamp
- ▣ A funeral pyre ready to go

● CAMP LOCATIONS

- ▣ Remains of the bonfire
- ▣ Hospital Tent
- ▣ Canteen
- ▣ Piles of supply crates
- ▣ The generators
- ▣ The production tent with the walls covered with storyboards

❖ OFF-LIMITS

- Natural Cave at the waterfront
- Dormant(ish) volcano
- ▣ Native Village
- ▢ The beach where the shark was spotted
- ▢ The director's "meditation" spot
- ▢ Native graveyard

❖ THE PLACES WE DON'T MENTION

- That tree where the grip hanged himself
- That cavern the extras use for sex
- ▣ That grove the grips accidentally set on fire considered sacred by the locals
- ▢ That cave behind that one waterfall the smugglers use
- ▢ Casting couch
- ▢ That trench where those remains were found

❖ FLASHBACKS

- Warzone
- Senior Prom
- ▣ City Mall
- ▢ Makeout Spot
- ▢ Prison
- ▢ Local Pub

...IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE.

OBJECTS...

● MOVIE PROPS

- A top hat
- A broken pocket watch
- ▣ Case full of (fake) cash
- ▣ Rabbit's Foot
- ▣ Cigarette Box
- ▤ Obscene figurine

● RECREATIONAL

- A guitar
- A Soccer ball that's barely holding together
- ▣ Deck of playing cards with the queen of hearts missing
- ▣ A packet of condoms left out in the sun
- ▣ A pipe
- ▤ Small plastic bag full of local mushrooms

● PERSONAL

- An engraved cigarette lighter
- A wedding ring
- ▣ Your coffee mug someone else keeps using
- ▣ The laundry
- ▣ Diary
- ▤ Letter addressed to someone else

❖ TOOLS OF THE TRADE

- That lens brought especially from Los Angeles for one single shot
- A box full of electrical tape
- Acid used to age props
- ❖ Director's own shooting script
- ❖ Director's chair
- ⋮ Still camera

❖ PROTECTION

- Sunhat
- Revolver with five bullets
- Rifle
- ❖ Stiletto
- ❖ Umbrella
- ⋮ Lense protector

⋮ WEIRD

- Arrowheads you found that couldn't have possibly been shot with a bow
- Religious figurine the locals don't know the origins of
- A cubist painting portraying the crew
- ❖ Eldritch pendant
- ❖ Passport from a non-existent country
- ⋮ Alternate script for the movie

..FOR THIS CURSED FILM.

INSTA-SETUP

RELATIONSHIPS IN HEART OF DREAMS

For three players...

- Back home: Worked at the same theatre
- Friendship: Because there's no-one else cool enough
- Adversarial: Auditioned for the same role

For four players, add...

- Professional: Foreman and local

For five players, add...

- Romantic: Courting the main lead of the movie

NEEDS IN HEART OF DREAMS

For three players...

- To survive: ... with your reputation intact.

For four and five players, add...

- To make the most of this...: ... by sampling the local intoxicants.

LOCATIONS IN HEART OF DREAMS

For any number of players...

- Shooting locations: Palm beach

OBJECTS IN HEART OF DREAMS

For three to four players...

- Movie props: Case full of (fake) cash

For five players, add...

- Protection: Revolver with five bullets