

# TRANSIENT

SOME MEMORIES CAN NEVER BE REPLACED ...



# TRANSIENT

Tense, purposely rife with misdirection, *Transient* is the story of loss, grief, and death. A story about how we contend with the ghosts of our past.

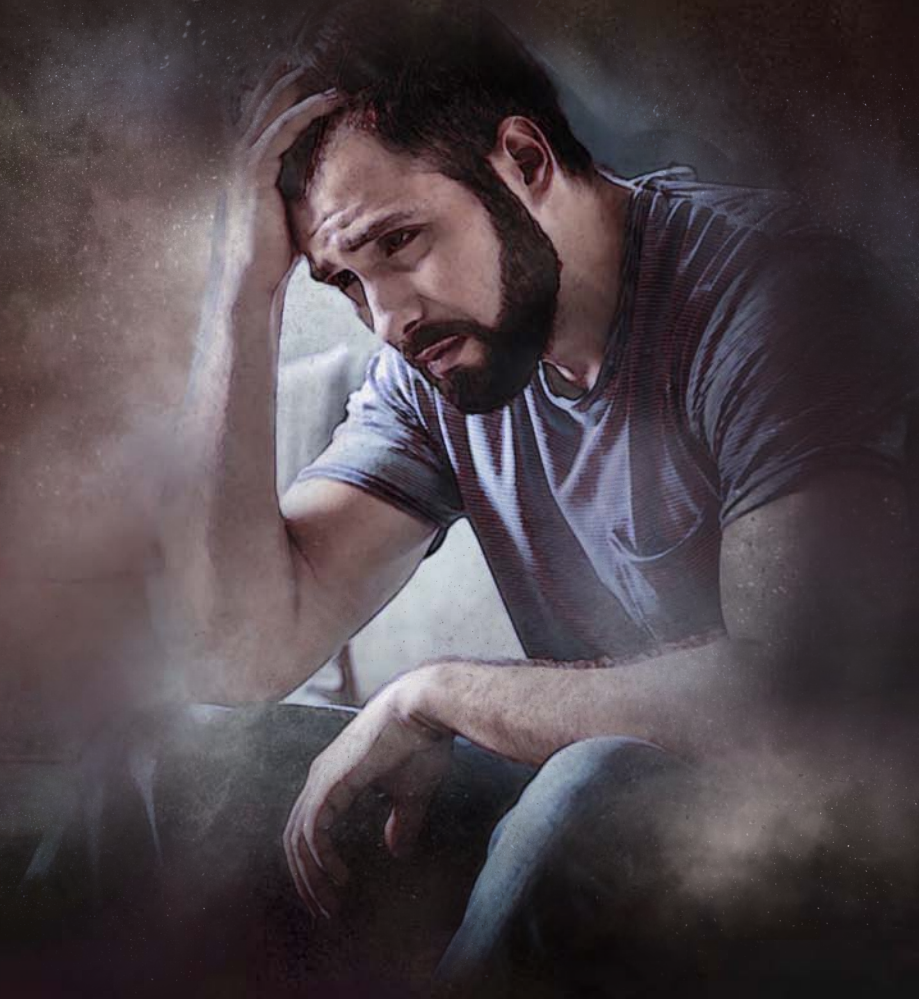
We follow David a tech CEO and inventor who after suffering a tragic loss, invents a technology that allows the user to access forgotten memories.

David enlists the help of his old business partner Bill to bring this new technology to fruition.

David loses himself in this technology, a hopeless attempt of digging up the past to somehow bring back the ones he has lost.

## LOGLINE

After a traumatic accident, a tech entrepreneur's new invention forces him to wrestle with the ghosts of his past.



# TRAILER



**TRANSIENT**  
OFFICIAL TRAILER

# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**TITLE:** Transient

**LENGTH:** Feature Film

**GENRE:** Sci-fi Thriller

**SHOOT:** September 2022



# THE TEAM

## CHRIS RUPPERT

WRITER/DIRECTOR

Born and raised in the charming and historic town of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Chris Ruppert's passion for filmmaking was ignited during his high school years, when he and his group of friends embarked on the creation of a series of short films.

This experience not only sparked his interest in the world of film-making, but it also served as the foundation for his later pursuits in the industry.

After completing his studies in graphic design at college, Chris embarked on a career path in marketing, working for several years at a reputable marketing company.

During this time, he honed his skills in design and marketing, gaining invaluable experience that would later prove to be crucial in his journey as a filmmaker.

However, Chris' true calling was always in the world of film-making, and in pursuit of this passion, he made the bold decision to leave his job and start his own business, Creative Element Design, where he began to delve deeper into the realm of video production.

As an entrepreneur, Chris launched BMN Films in 2018, leading projects and pushing himself to new heights. Through his hard work and dedication, Chris has directed 4 worldwide distributed feature-length documentaries, 15 short films, written four feature films and has won numerous awards for his movies and writing.



# THE TEAM

## SUGEY CRUZ

PRODUCER

Sugey Cruz is an award-winning actress and producer. She is currently the Producer for Front Seat Films, a Philadelphia-based company with many prestigious clients.

She also works as a freelance producer with various production companies including BMN Films.

Sugey has had a wealth of experience on film and commercial sets in everything ranging from acting, continuity supervisor, production supervisor, production design, and even Health and Safety/Covid Compliance.

She most recently had her directorial debut with the film “Merry Pawmas”, which she also co-wrote and assistant edited.

In 2023, Sugey has at least 7 films that she worked on in front of or behind the camera coming out. These include M. Night Shyamalan’s “Knock at the Cabin” starring Dave Bautista, Jonathan Groff and Rupert Grint; Lionsgate’s Nicholas Cage Western, “The Old Way”; Saban Films, “Butcher’s Crossing”; “Coup!” starring Peter Saarsguard; “Merry Pawmas” (Sugey’s directorial debut) and “Night Voices”. She has many other films still in the post-production stage at this time.

In addition to being the main Producer for “Transient”, Sugey also plays Claire Blakely in the film.



# THE TEAM

## AARON NUTTER

DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY

Born in 1984, AJ grew up in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. His father would take him along with him on photography explorations. Those explorations helped him develop an interest in photography and video at such an early age. He now documents rural coal communities in the Pennsylvania area. AJ has recently shown at Rowan University and The Peach Tree International Film Festival. His Video and Photo work has won numerous awards

AJ graduated with the 'Best Video Portfolio' Award from The Art Institute of Philadelphia. In addition, he won the Art Institute short Film Scholarship, which helped pay for his degree and studies. During his time in Philadelphia, AJ worked and interned for Warner Brothers Philadelphia TV Station and Image Media Commercial video studio. He later interned with The Center for Emerging Visual Artists.



## TONY MARION

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

Tony Marion is a script-to-screen filmmaker having written, produced, directed, shot, or edited more than 400 commercial, action sports, and indie films.

His work has been seen in projects from MTV, FOX Broadcasting, and NASA. An award-winning writer, he has been recognized for his work in narrative fiction, advertising copy, editorial, and screenwriting. Tony was the Assistant Director and one of the Producers on "Transient."



# DAVID

David is a mid 30's successful entrepreneur who runs a small tech company with his business partner Bill. Unfortunately, David has lost his family and has become a recluse in his sizeable Victorian estate.

David is depressed and unkempt, spending most of his day tinkering with his latest invention. When he is not working on his invention, he is dwelling on his past and drinking as a way to cope with his grief.

His relationship with Bill is strained, and many details are revealed throughout the story.

Everything is not as it seems, but one thing is certain...

David will finally face the ghosts that haunt him.

DAVID IS PORTRAYED BY

## GREG POPPA

Greg Poppa is a Philadelphia-based actor. He began his creative career writing short stories as a child before moving into acting in his early 20s. Greg has worked on several big-budget productions such as M. Night Shyamalan's Apple+ show "Servant" and HBO's "Mind Over Murder" as well as numerous indie features and shorts including "Weapons and Their Names" which has been nominated for best short film at Sundance Film Festival 2023. Greg made his directorial debut in the short film "Foxes".

When he's not working on films, Greg can usually be found playing guitar, piano, ice hockey, boxing or riding horses. Greg studies acting under Lisa Pelikan at HB Studio in NYC.

Greg plays the lead, David Blakely, in "Transient".





# BILL

Bill is an early 30's bachelor and business partner to David. He uses his success and wealth to imbibe in whatever desires he wishes. He is vain and bold but also quite charming.

Bill and Davids lives are deeply entwined, and while he doesn't always show it, Bill loves David like a brother.

Bill is casually dating his secretary Shareese.

## BILL IS PORTRAYED BY **ERIC FRANCIS MELARAGNI**

Eric Francis Melaragni was born and raised in the Philadelphia suburbs. From a young age, Eric showed keen interest in performing arts and acting, but started actively pursuing acting as a career in 2016. He enjoys acting in various different film genres, but favors action and dramatic roles. Eric has produced and directed many of his own award-winning short films and has won several awards for acting in various different dramatic and thriller roles.



SHAREESE IS PORTRAYED BY

# KENISHIA GREEN

Kenishia Green is three time award winning, Jamaican born actress. She was the host of the highly popular New York music television show, Video City TV. She has had key acting roles in Shilo Media's South Brooklyn (Bounce TV), Money and Violence (TIDAL), Brain Games, Evil Lives Here (Discovery Channel), Deadly Devotion (Discovery Channel), and Unfaithful (OWN).

Kenishia's current work includes the Bollywood Psychological Thriller, Mirror Game (Netflix). She played Melody in the true crime murder story, American Wisper, streaming on Amazon and Tubi. She portrayed Belinda Ali in the Chuck Wepner Biopic, American Brawler, starring Zack McGowen (Shameless), which also streamed on Netflix. She is featured in the dramady, PVT Chat, starring Julia Fox (No Sudden Move). She plays Gabrielle on the popular digital Series, Situationships, which is currently streaming on the large platform, BET.COM.

Kenishia's upcoming film projects include a supporting role, Queen Akenti, in the movie, "Ojanoma" that was filmed in Zambia, Africa. It is expected to be released in 2023 on digital platforms. She is also featured in the new Christmas comedy movie released in theaters, "Christmas vs. The Walters," starring Dean Winters (Oz, John Wick) and Chris Elliott (Scary Movies).



CLAIRE IS PORTRAYED BY

# SUGEY CRUZ

Sugey Cruz is an award-winning actress and producer based in the East Coast of the United States. She is currently the Producer for Front Seat Films, a Philadelphia based company with many prestigious clients. She also works as a free-lance producer with Broken Tile Films, which she co-founded, Cinecle Pictures, and Bad Movie Night.

She has had a wealth of experience on film and commercial sets in everything ranging from acting, continuity supervisor, production coordinator and supervisor and even Health and Safety/ Covid Compliance.

When not involved in work in front of and behind the camera, Sugey spends time with her family and is involved in charitable works especially causes involving Autism and related conditions.



GHOST MAN IS PORTRAYED BY

# BRAD WAKEMAN

Brad Wakeman is an American actor who is thankful to have appeared in many films on the East Coast. Originally from northwestern Indiana, Brad received a BS degree from Purdue University, where he dutifully studied Computer Science and Theatre. After college, Brad at some point found himself with a wife and 2 daughters, performing in theatre for several years before opening up to the world of film. Brad spends his free time grilling (charcoal only, of course!), golfing, fishing, exploring photography, visiting family back in Indiana, watching Purdue sports, and writing his bio on IMDB. Brad always refers to himself in the third person.



LAURA IS PORTRAYED BY

# LILLIAN RUPPERT

Lillian Ruppert is an actress, known for Transient, Very Pig Trouble (2020) and The Pig Paradox (2021).



YOUNG BILL IS PORTRAYED BY

# KAI PHAM

This is Kai Pham's first role and plays the child version of one of our lead characters Bill. We are excited to have Kai as part of our team!



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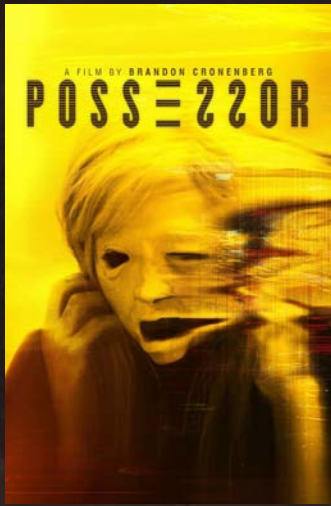


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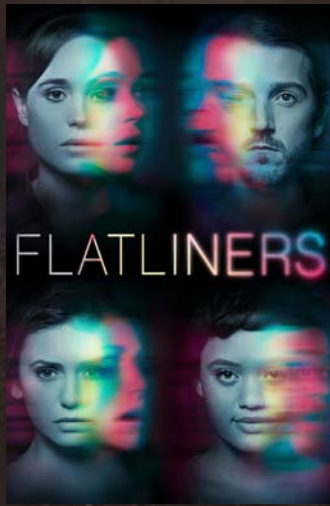


# MOVIE COMPS



**POSSESSOR** (2020)

BOX OFFICE: \$907,161



**FLATLINERS** (2017)

BOX OFFICE: \$45,158,254



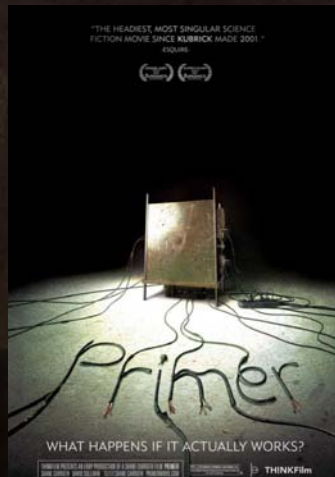
**I'M NOT HERE** (2017)

BOX OFFICE: \$38,356,892



**THE LAZARUS EFFECT** (2017)

BOX OFFICE: \$38,356,892



**PRIMER** (2004)

BOX OFFICE: \$841,926



**SESSION 9** (2001)

BOX OFFICE: \$1,703,434

A futuristic portrait of a man's face, rendered in a reddish-orange, metallic style. The man has a serious expression and is looking slightly downward. His head is surrounded by a dense network of glowing blue lines, resembling neural connections or data streams. The background is dark with scattered, faint blue and red particles. The word "TRANSIENT" is overlaid in the center of the image in a bold, white, sans-serif font with a slight glow.

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