

The **SINS**
of My Father





A story of survival, revelation, and forgiveness.



After learning of the death of his alcoholic, mentally ill father, an estranged middle-aged only son embarks upon a physical and spiritual journey to discover and understand the multifaceted, afflicted father he never knew.



Both haunting and humorous, *The Sins of My Father* captures the pain and joy that lies at the heart of every family afflicted by substance abuse and mental illness, yet it's the journey toward understanding and forgiveness that ultimately transcends.

CHARACTERS

MICHAEL

Struggling as a husband and father, Michael is an estranged middle aged only son, who endured a childhood of his father's substance abuse and neglect, left to be raised by his mother who inflicted emotional wounds from her misdirected rage.



KEN

Ken is an impulsive, risk-seeking Vietnam Veteran with a superficial demeanor, just as endearing as he is odious, who uses alcohol to appease feeling misunderstood and relies on humor and demonstrative actions to cope with his fear of intimacy.



STORY



Sparked by the discovery of his father's cancer riddled corpse, Michael travels from Los Angeles to Niles, Michigan to attend to his father's affairs and plan his memorial, yet the files he discovers in his father's basement changes his perception forever.

STRUCTURE



The linear story is structured around flashback vignettes of Michael's childhood memories with Ken, some tragically painful while others humorously endearing.

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FILMMAKERS



Michael Schilf

WRITER / DIRECTOR / PRODUCER

Co-Founder at Lunar Door, Schilf is a graduate of USC's School of Cinematic Arts (Master of Fine Arts in Screenwriting), having penned twelve features, eight TV pilots, numerous shorts, and well over 100 ad campaigns (including *Nike*, *American Express*, *Volvo*, *Walmart*, *Ford*, *Target*, *Chrysler*, *Lexus*, *BMW*, and *Mercedes Benz*).

Schilf is author of *The Sins of My Father*, which takes an introspective look at growing up with an absentee, alcoholic, mentally ill father; co-creator and writer of *SWORN*, a fantasy, action, adventure series; co-creator and writer of *LIGHT*, a sci-fi, action, crime series; and writer/director/producer of the award winning short *The Fixer*, co-starring Danny Trejo.



Chase Kuker

PRODUCER / COMPOSER

Co-Founder of Lunar Door, Kuker is a composer and producer with over a decade of experience in songwriting, music production, audio mixing, and film production. He has produced films such as *Tell, Echoes of War*, and *Helicopter Mom*. He has composed music for films *Among The Shadows*, *Death Pool* and *Mad Genius* as well as for commercial clients including NBC Sports, CBS, and TNT.

Kuker has also created music on movie trailers, including *Godzilla: King of Monsters*, *X-Men: Dark Phoenix*, *Bright*, and *War For the Planet of the Apes*. He is the co-creator and producer for *SWORN*, a fantasy, action, adventure series; co-creator of *LIGHT*, a sci-fi, crime series, and producer of the short *The Fixer*.

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