



A FILM BY JIMMY GRUSS & RILEY MCMAHON

RAVE

ELECTRONIC PRESS KIT

TALLY MARK
PRODUCTIONS

SUMMARY

Title	RAVE
Length	Short Film
Genre	Slasher/Comedy
Budget	\$20k
Runtime	13m



SYNOPSIS

AFTER AN UNDERGROUND RAVE HOSTED BY THE ENIGMATIC DJ LZR FACE, AN ECLECTIC GROUP OF YOUNG STARS END THEIR NIGHT AT A MANSION IN THE HOLLYWOOD HILLS UNAWARE OF THE BLOODSHED DESTINED TO COME. ONE BY ONE THEY ARE PICKED OFF IN BRUTAL SLASHER FASHION BY THE KATANA WIELDING DJ. IN A DESPERATE ATTEMPT TO SURVIVE THIS AFTER PARTY MASSACRE, THE FINAL GIRL SQUARES OFF HEAD-TO-HEAD AGAINST THE KILLING MACHINE...



MEET THE FILMMAKERS

Jimmy Gruss (Writer/Director/Producer/Editor)

Riley McMahon (Writer/Director/Producer)

Twenty-four year old filmmakers Jimmy Gruss & Riley McMahon hail from small town Indiana. Their undying love for the silver screen has inspired them to carve out their own lane in cinema history. Tally Mark Productions was established by Gruss and childhood best friend McMahon. The two deeply believe in the power of motion pictures and plan on telling riveting stories for a long time to come.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

"RAVE" WAS BORN FROM OUR OBSESSION WITH PRESENTING SLASHER CINEMA THE WAY WE'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE IT.

WE WANTED THE FILM TO FEEL MODERN AND SLEEK WHILE STILL PAYING HOMAGE TO THE CINEMATIC LANGUAGE OF THE ICONIC SLASHERS THAT SHAPED US.

THE CONFINES OF THE SLASHER SUBGENRE ARE WHAT FIRST DREW US IN. IT'S A RICH SANDBOX TO PLAY IN, FULL OF OPPORTUNITIES TO BOTH HONOR AND SUBVERT AUDIENCE EXPECTATIONS. OVER THE YEARS, CERTAIN TROPES HAVE BECOME PART OF THE GENRE'S DNA AND AUDIENCES ANTICIPATE SEEING THEM PLAY OUT. FOR US, IT WAS A BLAST TO LEAN INTO THESE TROPES WHILE INJECTING OUR OWN COMEDIC STYLE.

WHEN WE FIRST CONCEPTUALIZED "RAVE," WE KNEW THE MUSIC HAD TO BE A PIVOTAL ELEMENT, AS OUR ANTAGONIST IS A BLOODTHIRSTY DJ. WE WORKED CLOSELY WITH OUR COMPOSER THROUGHOUT PRODUCTION TO CRAFT A SCORE THAT FEELS AS THOUGH IT WERE CONJURED BY LZR FACE HIMSELF—SOMETHING HYPNOTIC, PULSING, AND SLIGHTLY UNHINGED.

ANOTHER CORNERSTONE OF SLASHER CINEMA IS GORE, AND WE WANTED TO EXECUTE THIS ASPECT OF THE FILM IN A BOLD, UNFORGETTABLE WAY. WHILE STILL MAINTAINING A PLAYFUL TONE, WE SET OUT TO DELIVER CROWD-PLEASING, GRUESOME KILLS THAT FUNCTION AS VISCERAL SET PIECES WITHIN THE FILM.

"RAVE" WAS CREATED AS A PROOF-OF-CONCEPT SHORT WITH BIGGER ASPIRATIONS OF EXPANDING IT INTO A FEATURE FILM THAT WE HAVE ALREADY WRITTEN THE SCREENPLAY FOR. WE TRULY BELIEVE WE HAVE THE NEXT GREAT SLASHER VILLAIN IN OUR HANDS WITH DJ LZR FACE, AND WE CANNOT WAIT TO UNLEASH "RAVE" TO THE WORLD!



CAST



**Andrew
Ferguson**

The Von Steins

2024

Senior

2022

**Alexis
Savides**

The Von Steins

2024

Midnight Melody

2024

**Elijah
Rashad**

Mind Your Business

2025

Quit

TBD

**India
Darling**

Wish

2024

Blood Rush

2025

**Grant
Morningstar**

The Von Steins

2024

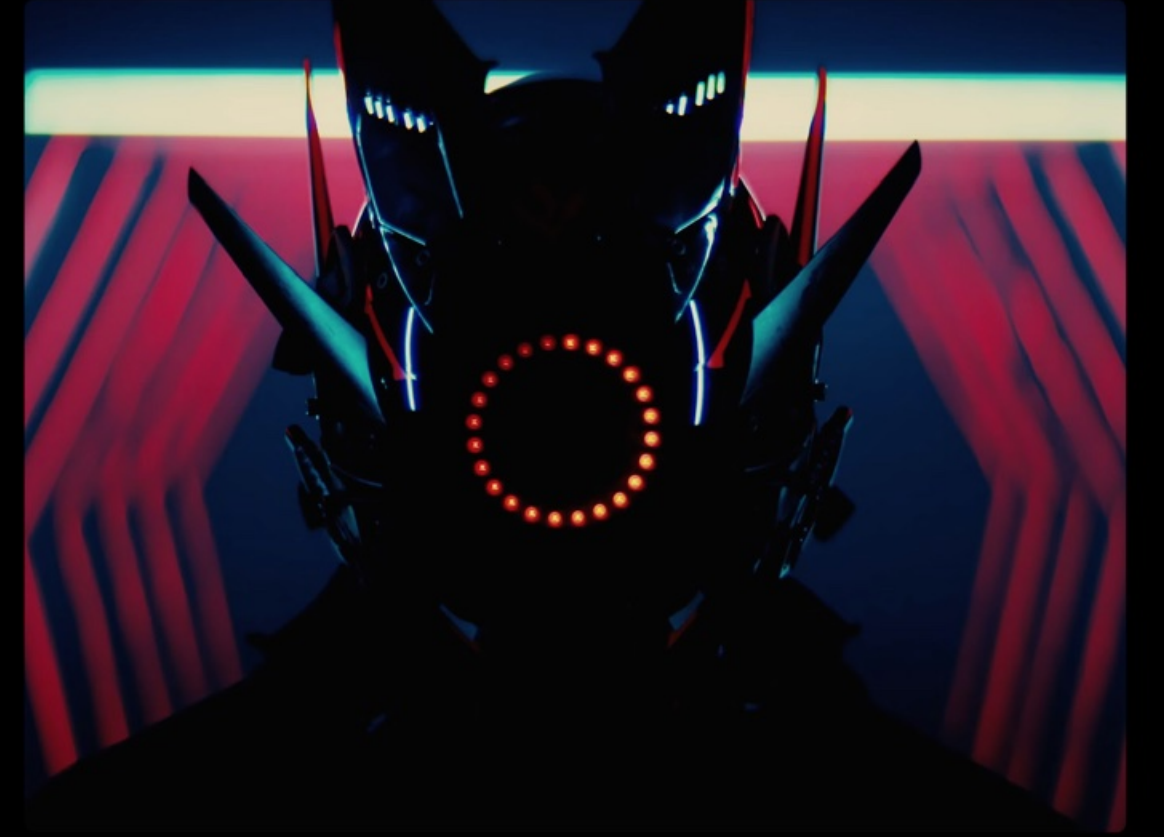
Spin The Bottle

2024

CREW

Writer/Director/Producer/Editor	Jimmy Gruss
Writer/Director/Producer	Riley McMahon
Director of Photography	David Murillo Galiano
1st Assistant Camera	Kraig Bryant
2nd Assistant Camera	Brianna Chapman
Gaffer	Jesse Carlson & Tim Watson
Key Grip	Rick Bay
Production Sound Mixer	Gage Tapia
Boom Operator	Ian Ordonio
Production Assistant/BTS	Dylan Wheatley
Production Assistant	Bailey McMahon
Special FX Makeup	Lauren Bennett
Composer	Aaron Baker & Connor Comstock
Sound Designer/Re-Recording Mixer	Nadav Shelly
VFX Artist	John McConnell & Rae Jenkins
Colorist	Marcelo Aprile
Poster Artist	Sebastián Ramírez







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