

FREESTYLE DIGITAL MEDIA RELEASES DRAMA FEATURE 'GAIJIN'

Identical Twin Filmmakers Risk Their Lives in Japan and Zimbabwe to Deliver First Feature--Now Available on North American VOD Platforms Starting April 3, 2026

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the digital film distribution division of Byron Allen's Allen Media Group, has just released the cross-cultural romantic drama GAIJIN -- now available to rent/own on North American digital HD internet, cable, and satellite platforms starting April 3, 2026.

GAIJIN follows an American graduate student whose suicide attempt at a legendary Japanese temple is interrupted by the spirit of his dead twin. The spirit issues a challenge: hang on until cherry blossom season. The film stars a diverse ensemble cast, including Japanese, Zimbabwean, Mexican-American, British, and Taiwanese

actors, and was shot on location across Japan, New England, and Zimbabwe, with a vibrant score crafted in Mexico.

Directed by Mark Chamberlain, GAIJIN was written and produced by identical twin filmmakers Michael & Mark Chamberlain. Featured actors include: Michael Chamberlain ('Lewis'), Yuki Iwabuchi ('Aya'), Mark Chamberlain ('Ezekiel'), David Marroquin ('Tito'), Richard Curtis ('David') and Hideki Okajima ('Salaryman').

“As crazy as it may sound, God told me to make GAIJIN... so I had to see it through, even though I was warned it would be impossible,” said filmmaker Mark Chamberlain. “My twin and I sidestepped the Yakuza in Tokyo and escaped a Zimbabwean mob to bring this story to life. The risks were worth it to deliver GAIJIN's message: No matter what you've been through or how far you've gone to escape the pain of your life, there's nowhere you can go where hope cannot follow.”

Freestyle Digital Media negotiated a deal to acquire GAIJIN directly with the filmmakers and Glen Reynolds of Circus Road Films.

GAIJIN website: www.gaijinfilm.com

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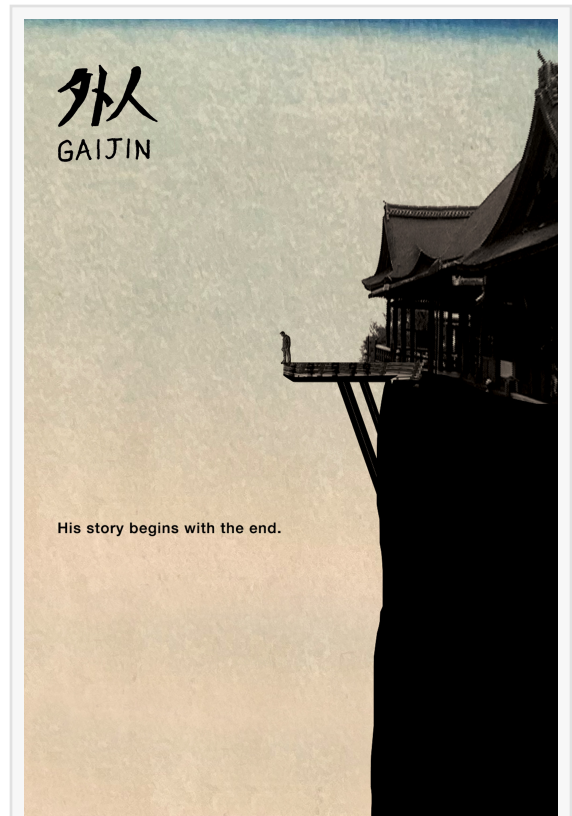
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