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# FROM THE SHADOWS



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For the very first time industry legends **KEITH DAVID** (John Carpenter's *The Thing*, *Nope*, *Requiem for a Dream*) and **BRUCE DAVISON** (*Ozark*, *1923*, *Willard*, *X-Men*) come together in Mike Sargent's new horror feature **FROM THE SHADOWS**. With a score from horror maestro **ALAN HOWARTH** (*Halloween 2-6*, *Escape from New York*), sound design by Academy Award winner **CECELIA HALL** (*Top Gun*, *The Hunt for Red October*, *The Addams Family*, *Star Trek I-III*) and practical effects by special effects make-up guru **VINCENT GUASTINI** (*Requiem for a Dream*, *Dogma*, *The Taking of Deborah Logan*), **FROM THE SHADOWS** explores a supernatural cult and its survivors, and the ancient terror that lies at the heart of its conspiracy.

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## THE STORY

When the enigmatic leader of the Hidden Wisdom cult, Dr. Joseph Cawl (Davison), and eighteen of his followers all die in a mysterious inferno, the five young survivors suspected of igniting the blaze contact paranormal researcher Amara Rowan (Selena Anduze) to help uncover the real cause of the fire. When they stumble upon the truth behind the disappearance of Cawl's partner, Dr. Leonard Bertram (David), they become the target of a deranged killer that wants to slaughter them all.

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## **Los Angeles Red Carpet Premiere**

**Thursday, September 19, 2023**

**Laemmle Royal • 11523 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90025**

**Red Carpet at 6:30pm • Premiere Screening at 7pm**

Attending: Keith David, Bruce Davison, Selena Anduze, Alan Howarth, Vince Guastini, Cecelia Hall, Michael Alden, Ian Holt, Michael Kuciak and Mike Sargent.

## **Limited Theatrical Run**

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# CAST



## DR. LEONARD BERTRAM

played by

### Keith David

*The Thing, Platoon, Nope, They Live, Requiem for a Dream, Spawn, Pitch Black, Ricky & Morty*

Keith David is a classically trained actor, winning 3 Emmys out of 6 nominations as well as being nominated for a Tony award. He starred in the recently concluded TV series "Greenleaf" for Oprah Winfrey's OWN network. Upcoming films include "Horizon Line" and "Black As Night," for Amazon

On the big screen, Keith recently appeared in Jordan Peele's "Nope" "21 Bridges", "Night School", and "Tales from the Hood 2". Additional titles include the Academy award-winning films "Crash" and "Platoon." He is widely recognized for appearing in the highly-acclaimed films Disney's "The Princess and the Frog", "Requiem for a Dream", "Men at Work", "They Live", "There's Something About Mary", and John Carpenter's "The Thing" as well as numerous TV appearances.



## PROF. JOSEPH CAWL

played by

### Bruce Davison

*Willard, Longtime Companion, X-Men, X-2, Mozart in the Jungle, Ozark, 1923, Lincoln Lawyer*

Over a five decade career, Bruce Davison has a resume that includes everything from Shakespeare to Seinfeld -- from the villainous Senator on "Ozark" to the wise judge on "Lincoln Lawyer".

His role in the ground-breaking gay drama "Longtime Companion" earned him an Oscar nomination, and Golden Globe, Independent Spirit, New York Film Critics and National Society of Film Critics awards.

Bruce's most popular films include "Willard", "Six Degrees of Separation", "Far from Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog" and the box-office hits "X-Men" and "X-2" in the role of Senator Kelly. More controversial art-house showcases include "Dahmer", as serial killer Jeffrey Dahmer's father, and "Hate Crime", as a bigoted, murderous pastor. He has also appeared in numerous TV shows including "Ozark", "1923", "The Lincoln Lawyer", "Mozart in the Jungle", "Lost", "Knight Rider" and "Harry and the Hendersons".



## DR. AMARA OWEN

played by

### Selena Anduze

*WandaVision, Dr. Sleep, The Haunting of Hill House, Creepshow, Tell Me Your Secrets, Swamp Thing*

West Indian American actress, Selena Anduze, is best known for her role as "Agent Rodriguez" in Marvel's Disney+ series, WandaVision. Additional recent credits include the role of "Detective Samuelson," in the Amazon series Tell Me Your Secrets, "Rebecca Meyer" in Dopesick and Jackie Ponder in "Candy". She is also recognized for her roles in Mike Flanagan's work, The Haunting of Hill House and Doctor Sleep.

# CREATIVE

## Composer **ALAN HOWARTH**

Sonic Composer, Alan Howarth's film work started on "Star Trek: The Motion Picture", launching him as a sound designer for the following 6 Star Trek feature films. Next was "Escape From New York", collaborating with the director and composer, John Carpenter, and continuing on scores for "Halloween 2-6", "Christine", "Big Trouble in Little China", "Prince of Darkness" and "They Live". His award-winning Sound Design work placed him on the Oscar-winning sound effects teams for "The Hunt for Red October" and "Dracula" directed by Francis Ford Coppola.

## Sound Designer **CECILIA HALL**

Cecilia Hall was the first woman to be nominated for an Academy Award for Best Sound Effects Editing for "Top Gun" and she went on to win the Oscar for "The Hunt for Red October", a film for which she also received a British BAFTA nomination. Hall has been nominated for numerous Motion Picture Sound Editor Golden Reel Awards, winning for both "Something So Right" and "Top Gun". Her credits include: "Star Trek I, II & III", "Beverly Hills Cop I & II", "Witness", Both "Pee-Wee" movies, "Searching for Bobby Fisher", "Days of Thunder", "The Addams Family", "Addams Family Values", "Flashdance" and "Terms of Endearment". She has won two MPSE Golden Reel awards among eleven nominations. She was elected president of the MPSE in 1984, the first woman to hold that office and she served on the Executive Committee of the Sound Branch of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. In 2019, Hall was featured in the Award-Winning Documentary Feature "Making Waves: The Art of Cinematic Sound". On January 19, 2020, Hall received the MPSE's Golden Reel Career Achievement Award.

## Special Make Up Effects (SPFX) **VINCENT J. GUASTINI**

Vincent Guastini is renowned for creating the ground-breaking animatronic wings & creature effects in "Dogma" and for Aronofsky's "Requiem for a Dream" he designed sculpted and applied prosthetics changing Ellen Burstyn into a thinning decaying woman, one of the most convincing transformations in prosthetic makeup history. He also worked with Aronofsky on the film "Aftermath", creating silicone bodies for a graphic plane crash. His other groundbreaking effects include fire victim effects for Clint Eastwood's "Letters of Iwo Jima" and "Flags of Our Father" and the horror film hit "The Taking of Deborah Logan's" transformation of actress Jill Larson into a crazed demonic possessed creature.

Other credits include: "I Frankenstein", "Watchmen", "Hannibal", "Battlestar Galactica", "Creature of the Black Lagoon", "Preacher", "Green Hornet", "Doom the Movie", "I Am Legend", and "The Thing" prequel. V.G.P. Design Team & Makeup Effects Crew Credits include: "Hellboy", "Predator" (2019), "Tron Legacy", "Jurassic Park", "Terminator 2", "Edward Scissor Hands".

## Director **MIKE SARGENT**

Mike Sargent has worked behind the camera as a Producer, Screenwriter, Director, Composer, Sound Designer & Storyboard artist. He was awarded the prestigious Audelco Award for excellence in Sound Design. He has illustrated storyboards for horror film "Brain Damage" by Frank Henenlotter, thrillers "Illegal Tender" & "The Ministers" by Franc Reyes, and most recently two projects for John Leguizamo. His short film, "The Lesson", premiered to critical acclaim at the Visions of New Black filmmaker's Festival. His writing & directing debut feature film "Personals" was the opening night film at Los Angeles' Pan African Film Festival in 1999. In the world of film criticism, Mike was the host and creator of "Arise on Screen", Arise Networks weekly global movie review & interview program notably the first ever African-American hosted film review television show. He is also a founding member and co-President of the Black Film Critics Circle (BFCC), chief Film Critic for WBAI RADIO and host of daytime film review program, "Reelworld", and WBAI's popular late night radio show "Niteshift".

## Writer **MICHAEL KUCIAK**

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# PRODUCERS

## **MICHAEL ALDEN** – Alt House Productions

Film works include: the VC Feature, "Estella Scrooge: A Christmas Carol With A Twist", the feature documentary, "My Beautiful Stutter" (Discovery +) "Death Metal," "Just Cause" with Sean Connery, the fashion forward documentary "UnZipped" for Miramax, Stephen Daldry's "The Hours," "Kissing Jessica Stein." As a theater producer, On Broadway: "Come From Away," "Disgraced" (2015 Pulitzer Prize - Drama), "Grey Gardens" and "Bridge & Tunnel" (Special TONY Award). On the West End: "Come From Away" (Olivier) David Seidler's, "The King's Speech" and "Bat Boy The Musical."

## **IAN HOLT** – Alt House Productions

Ian is the co-author, with Dacre Stoker, of the international best seller, "Dracula The Un-Dead", the official sequel to Bram Stoker's classic 1897 novel, Dracula. To date, "Dracula The Un-Dead" has sold more than two million copies worldwide, it was #9 on the New York Times Bestseller List, the #5 Paperback, and was #1 in France, Germany and Spain, and nominated for "Best First Horror Novel" by The Thriller Awards. Ian wrote and produced the supernatural thriller, "Episode 50", co-produced by Ehud Bleiberg and Compound B. "Episode 50" opened theatrically in the UK, throughout Europe and the Middle East, and hit all other global markets and the US. Most recently, Ian penned and will produce the horror feature "Cursed" starring Mickey Rourke and Lindsay Lohan, directed by Steven R. Monroe ("I Spit On Your Grave," "The Haunting of Mary Hartley"). Ian is also producer of the horror feature "Death Metal" now in post-production.

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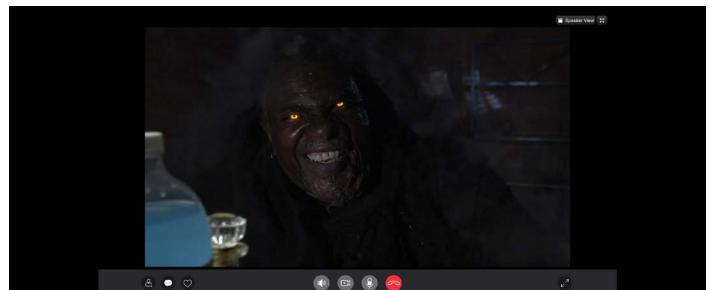
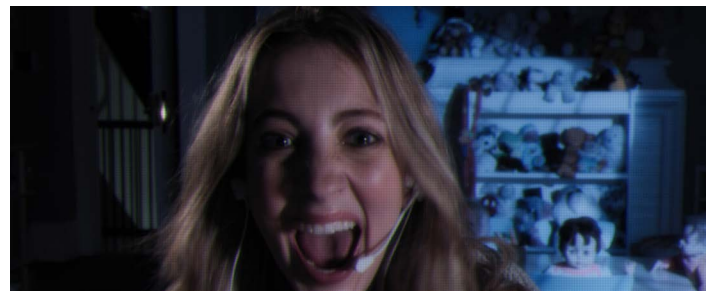
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# TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

**Project Type:** Feature

**Genres:** Horror, Thriller, Slasher

**Runtime:** 1 hour 28 minutes 48 seconds

**Completion Date:** January 20, 2023

**Country of Origin:** United States

**Country of Filming:** United States

**Language:** English

**Shooting Format:** UHD 2.39:1

**Aspect Ratio:** 16:9

**Film Color:** Color

# DISTRIBUTION INFO

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