

Starring:

Fred Iacovo
Carrie Collins
Brandy Burre
Paul Zacheis
Jason D. King



greed,
lust, and
desperation...the

Perfect Poison

a film by Frank Sciurba

produced by Tom Basham and Frank Sciurba





Synopsis

The year is 1963. Lorenzo Rappacini, an Italian scientist who once worked for the fascist, Benito Mussolini, has immigrated to the United States at the behest of the U.S. government to work as an adviser for the newly formed chemical and biological warfare research program headquartered at Fort Dietrich, Md.

Rappacini and his only child, the beautiful Beatrice, and spiteful cousin, Maria, live an opulent life on an estate in the Virginia horse country. When a handsome drifter enters their lives, all four become entangled in a downward spiral that threatens to destroy everything Rappacini has built.

Credits

Written & Directed by: Frank Sciurba

Produced by: Frank Sciurba & Tom Basham

Music by: Christopher Sciurba

Primary Cast:

Fred Iacovo..... Roland Lanelli

Carie Collins..... Beatrice Rappacini

Paul Zacheis..... Dr. Lorenzo Rappacini

Jason King..... FBI Agent Clayton

Brandy Burre..... Maria



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Festivals



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The Cast



Carrie Collins

Carrie Collins plays the lead role of Beatrice Rappacini.

She has worked on several independent films, some T.V. shows, pilots, commercials and plays up and down the east coast while attending a small acting academy in Virginia.

Her next project is "Factory Girl" starring Sienna Miller and shoots sometime this fall. She currently resides in Los Angeles, California.



Fred Iacovo

Fred Iacovo's lead role as "Roland Lanelli" marks the second time Frank Sciurba has cast him in a major role in an Illuminati Productions' feature film. His other film credits include "Joe" in Rod Lurie's *The Contender* and "Brian" in Tim Reid's *Asunder*.

*His Television credits include *FBI Files*, *The New Detectives*, *Interpol* and most recently, a role of a security officer on HBO's series *The Wire*.*

Fred currently resides in Richmond, Virginia.



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Brandy Burre's lead role as Maria Rappacini marks her first time working with Director Frank Sciurba.

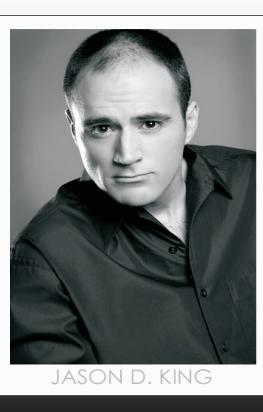
Her favorite theatrical roles include "Nurse Holloway" in Rick Dresser's *Something in the Air* and "Maria" in Jeffrey Hatcher's *Compleat Female Stage Beauty*, both at The Contemporary American Theater Festival in Shepherdstown, WV. Other roles include "Anna" in *The Baltimore Waltz* at the Cincinnati Playhouse in the Park and "Juliet" in *Romeo and Juliet* at the Monomoy Theatre in Chatham, Massachusetts. Brandy holds a master's degree from Ohio University.

Currently living in New York City, she can also be seen in HBO's original series *The Wire* as "Theresa D'agostino."



Paul Zacheis plays Dr. Lorenzo Rappacini.

He is a veteran of the Washington Metropolitan stage scene appearing in numerous productions for surrounding community theaters. Some of his award-winning roles include, "Sam" in *The Cemetery Club* and "Dr. Watson" in *The Hounds of Baskerville*. Over the last ten years Zacheis has made his mark on film and television with major roles in various sitcoms, dramatic series, and four supporting roles in films. When he's not on stage or in front of a camera, Zacheis exercises his passion for script having written movie, television pilots and stage plays. A lover of character acting, Zacheis makes his home in Locust Grove, Va.



Jason D. King's role as "FBI Agent William 'Percy' Clayton" in *Perfect Poison* marks the second time in three years Director Frank Sciurba has cast him as one of the leads in his films.

With numerous regional and national commercials to his credit, King's work includes principal roles in the feature films *Far from India*, *The Vulture's Eye* and *Limits to Ambition*. But he first appeared onstage at age six at E.M. Rollins Elementary as "Mr. McGregor" in *Peter Rabbit*.

A native North Carolinian and graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, King lives in Alexandria, Va.

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The Production Team

Frank Sciurba, Writer/Director



Frank Sciurba

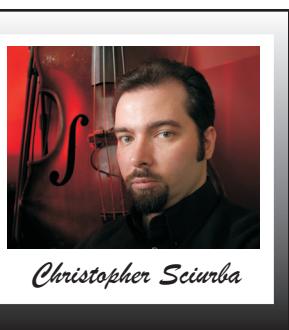
He has written, produced, and directed three feature films. The Vulture's Eye 2002 has been distributed internationally. Perfect Poison 2004 was the winner of Best Feature in Myrtle Beach, SC Film Festival, and his latest, Mrs. Amworth, is currently in post production and will be completed by Feb. 2006. He saw his first film in a theater at the age of five. It was a re-release of Frankenstein, directed by James Whale, which left a lasting impression, but his main influences stem from the personal cinema of the sixties and seventies. He has a keen eye for color and composition due to his love of photography, his profession from 1967 to 1999, and has acted as DP on all three of his films.



Tom Basham

Tom Basham, Producer

This is Tom's second feature film he has produced with Frank Sciurba. His resourcefulness and background in engineering help to bring compelling stories from the page to the screen. He has also written, directed & produced 2 short films, A Bridge (just a bit) Too Far and 'The Santa Train'. Tom's second feature length screen play, 'Paradise Springs' has been chosen as a finalist for the 2005 Script-2-Screen Film Festival



Christopher Sciurba

Christopher Sciurba, Composer

A self taught musician, Chris has been writing music for 15 years, the last 7 of which have been spent primarily on various forms of electronic music. He wrote the score for Frank Sciurba's debut film, The Vulture's Eye, and often releases his work online under the name Ugo. In addition to writing music, he also has created his own line software synthesizers and effects. Chris wrote and recorded the score for Perfect Poison at his home studio in Sterling, VA.



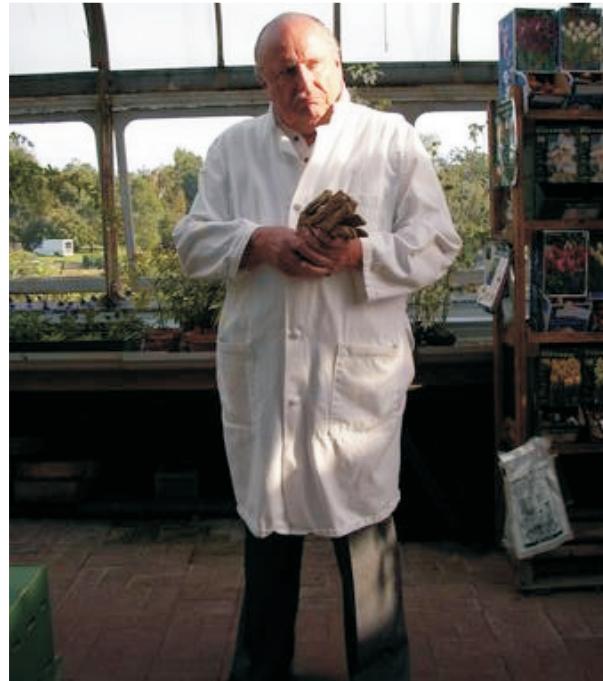
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Production Stills



Beatrice (Carrie Collins) and Roland (Fred Iacovo) pause between takes.



With precious time running out, Dr. Lorenzo Rappacini (Paul Zacheis) tenaciously works in his greenhouse developing an antidote for the "perfect poison."



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Production Stills



Maria (Brandy Burre) gets ready to go for a ride.



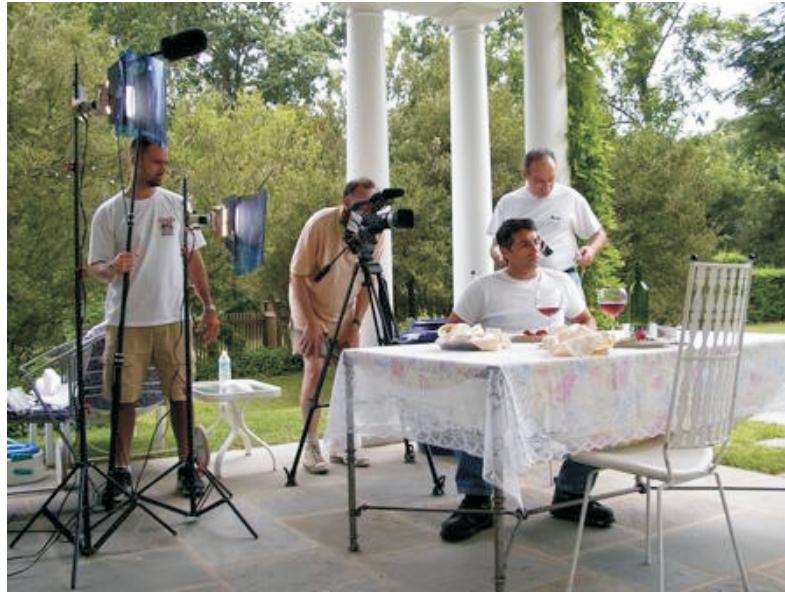
Vintage autos from the 1940's and 1950's help to create the "perfect" scenery.



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Production Stills



After blocking a scene at the Rappacini estate for Roland (Fred Iacovo) and Dr. Lorenzo Rappacini (Paul Zacheis), Director Frank Sciurba eyes the lens before calling ACTION!



FBI Agent William Percy Clayton (Jason King) lays the law down for Roland (Fred Iacovo).



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