

GAME

A film by Joy Webster



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Starring:

Jack Fulton	as "Jack"
Ava Preston	as "Molly"
David Tompa	as "John"
Sam Ashe Arnold	as "Tommy"
Anton Gillis-Adelman	as "Mikey"

Key Creative:

Writer/Director/Editor:	Joy Webster
Producer:	Lucas Ford
Director of Photography:	Filip Funk
Production Designer:	Michaela Kurimsky
Composer:	Matthew Kinahan

Notable Information:

Country: Canada
Runtime: 13m 55s
Colour: Colour
Shot on: Arri Amira
Screener Format: Vimeo Link
Exhibition Format(s): DCP, Blu-ray, DVD, Prores, .h264

Logline:

A young boy struggles to endure his sister's twisted games and accept his mother's death.

Synopsis:

When alone in the forest, Jack creates his own reality. He'd rather play pretend than to accept that his mother is gone, his father neglects him and his sister, Molly, shows him nothing but violence. But when she discovers what he has been hiding under his bed, Jack will have to decide whether to keep playing along, or to put an end to her twisted games once and for all.

Production Facts

Game was shot over four days in Fall 2016 (Sept 30-Oct 3) with a crew of 12. The second short from writer/director Joy Webster, was partially financed from grants and produced with assistance from the Ontario Arts Council and Toronto Arts Council, while the remainder of the budget was self-financed. The production was part of the Toronto Indie Production (TIP) program with ACTRA Toronto and the Canadian Media Producers Association (CMPA). Principal photography was shot on-location in Grand Bend, Ontario, Canada and inside Pinery Provincial Park, a park situated on the shores of Lake Huron. This is the second collaboration from filmmakers Joy Webster and Lucas Ford since the success of *In The Weeds*.

Stills:

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Filmmaker Biographies:

Joy Webster - Writer/Director/Editor



Joy Webster is an award-winning emerging filmmaker. Born and raised in Toronto, Canada, Joy is a recent alumnus of Ryerson University where she received her B.F.A. in Film Studies. Joy was the recipient of the Norman Jewison Award for best thesis film production at Ryerson University in 2015, for her film *In The Weeds*. *In The Weeds* has been screened at film festivals across North America, won numerous awards, and had its nationwide broadcast premiere on CBC's *Canadian Reflections* in October, 2016. Her latest short film, *Game*, is currently playing the international film festival circuit, was awarded 'Best Short' at the 2018 Canadian Film Festival and has screened at festivals in Canada, United States and Mexico. Joy has worked professionally as a video producer, photographer, and graphic designer. She is currently employed as the video producer for Chatelaine Magazine.

Lucas Ford - Producer



Lucas Ford is an award-winning Canadian film and television producer based in Toronto & Los Angeles. His produced work has broadcasted nationally in Canada on CBC, Bell, Air Canada and has screened and won awards at many film festivals internationally including top festivals across North America and Europe. Recent credits include: *Game* (San Diego International Film Festival, Cinéfest Sudbury), *In The Weeds* (CBC), and the 5-part series *Start Up Swap* (Bell Fibe). Lucas is a graduate of Ryerson University's School of Image Arts, a two-time Norman Jewison Filmmaker Award winner and an MFA candidate at the prestigious Peter Stark Producing Program at the University of Southern California. Lucas got his start working at the Toronto International Film Festival where he coordinated for TIFF Director & CEO Piers Handling. Following this, Lucas worked at New Metric Media where he was involved on the smash-hit series Letterkenny (2017 CSA Best Comedy) as well as Bad Blood (City/Rogers) and What Would Sal Do? (CraveTV). Currently, Lucas is developing his first feature film and is also on post-production for *The Sunset Channel*, a drama/comedy short film about a recluse who thinks he may be the sole witness of a terrible event on his television. Lucas is a voting member of the Academy of Canadian Cinema and Television.

Web Links:

Trailer: <https://vimeo.com/224150961>

IMDb: <http://www.imdb.com/title/tt6121898/>

Website: <https://www.joywebster.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/gamefilm2017/>



Official Film Festival Selections:

- Cinéfest Sudbury International Film Festival 2017 (Sudbury, ON)
- San Diego International Film Festival 2017 (San Diego, CA)
- Oaxaca FilmFest 2018 (Oaxaca, México)
- Carmel International Film Festival 2017 (Carmel, CA)
- 30 Under 30 Film Festival 2017 (New York City, NY)
- Dam Short Film Festival 2018 (Boulder City, NV)
- Oregon Short Film Festival 2018 (Portland, Oregon)
- Spokane International Film Festival 2018 (Spokane, WA)
- Fort Myers Film Festival 2018 (Fort Myers, FL)
- Omaha Film Festival 2018 (Omaha, NE)
- Canadian Film Fest 2018 (Toronto, ON)
- Lakeshorts International Short Film Festival 2018 (Toronto, ON)
- Muscat International Film Festival 2018 (Muscat, Oman)
- Kansas City Film Festival (Kansas City, MO)
- WorldFest Houston International Film Festival 2018 (Houston, TX)
- Yorkton Film Festival 2018 (Yorkton, SK)
- NewFilmmakers Los Angeles 2018 (Los Angeles, CA)

Awards:

- * Winner of Best Short Film, Canadian Film Fest 2018
- * Jury Award for Best Actor in a Short Film - Jack Fulton, Canadian Film Fest 2018
- * Winner of a Gold Remi Award at WorldFest Houston International Film Festival 2018
- * Winner of the Agency 71 Blue Wave Award for Outstanding Canadian Film at Lakeshorts International Short Film Festival 2018
- * Winner of Best Score at 30 Under 30 Film Festival 2017
- * Nominated for 3 Golden Sheaf Awards - Best Short Subject Fiction, Best Director Fiction and Best Emerging Filmmaker, Yorkton Film Festival 2018
- * Nominated for Best Actor in a Short Film Ages 8-10 - Jack Fulton, Joey Awards 2018
- * Nominated for Best Cinematography at Oregon Short Film Festival 2018

Poster:



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