

PARADOX LOST



ABOUT THE FILM:

TAG LINE:

A genre-bending love story about time travel, the end of the world, and long-form improvisational comedy.

LOGLINE:

Fearing he'll never be a success, Barnaby Bates, a struggling LA comedy writer, pulls back from a blossoming relationship with Rose, an empathetic young photographer, in order to focus on his career full time. Things get complicated when he's visited by a mysterious stranger from the future who warns that the world as Barnaby knows it will soon be coming to an end.

SYNOPSIS:

Fearing he'll end up a failure just like his father, struggling LA comedy writer Barnaby Bates, pulls back from a blossoming relationship with Rose, an empathetic young photographer, in order to focus on his career full time. His decision gets complicated when he's visited by a mysterious stranger from the future who warns that the world as Barnaby knows it will soon be coming to a devastating end.

With time quickly running out, Barnaby is forced to form an uneasy partnership with the shadowy figure in order to save the lonely, self-centered existence he's worked so hard to manifest.

Paradox Lost is a *Twilight Zone*-style love letter to the struggle most filmmakers experience throughout their lives. Torn between the time they dedicate towards new creation and the time they dedicate towards personal relationships, the *paradox* for many comes from the knowledge that love, friendship and family often inspire new worthwhile creations while the pursuit of those creations can strain those same meaningful connections.

PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS

Written and Directed by Dennis Curlett

Produced by: Steven Strobel, Danny Cymbal, Dennis Curlett and Rebecca Edwards

Main Cast: Danny Cymbal, Clarissa Thibeaux, Steven Strobel, Sydney Steinberg

GENRE: Sci-Fi, Drame

RUNNING TIME: 93 Minutes

SHOT ON: Black Magic Pocket

SCREEN RATIO: 2.35:1

FILM WEBSITE: <http://www.paradoxlostthemovie.com/>

TEASER TRAILER: <https://vimeo.com/435912418>

FULL TRAILER: <https://vimeo.com/501945562>

FACEBOOK PAGE: <https://www.facebook.com/paradoxlostthemovie>

CAST AND CREW BIOS:

DENNIS CURLETT (Writer, Director, Producer)



Dennis Curlett is a Los Angeles based writer, director, comedian originally from the mean streets of Chichester, Pennsylvania. His experimental sketch comedy team Funk Shuffle performs regularly at The UCB Theater in Los Angeles and at The Clubhouse. He's one of nine children and recently sold his spec rom-com JUST. ONE. KISS. to Netflix after winning the 2019 Launch Pad Feature Screenplay Competition.

DANNY CYMBAL (Producer, Actor - Barnaby)



Danny Cymbal is an actor, writer and improviser hailing all the way from Coney Island, New York. He has co-written and acted in several award winning shorts with Are You Choking. Danny has trained at The New School, The Upright Citizens Brigade Theater, The Nerdist School and The Idiot Workshop. Thanks to Paradox Lost, Danny met his wife and had a baby. Most nights he can be found feeding his baby while his wife sleeps soundly.

STEVEN STROBEL (Producer, DP, Actor – Time Assassin)



Steven Strobel is an Actor and DP from Milwaukee Wisconsin. He holds a Masters Degree in Fine Arts from the American Conservatory Theater in Classical Theater. Steven has done theater in LA, WI and NYC. He loves making films with his friends and is currently in pre-production on four short films that he's acting in. Steven started shooting because he and his writing partner Danny Cymbal ran out of people to call to shoot their comedy videos. After figuring out how to hit the record button Steven realized he liked shooting, not as much as acting but still it was pretty fun! To make ends meet Steven shoots and acts in Los Angeles. He's proud to no longer be driving a taxi and hopes he's not jinxing himself by typing it here.

REBECCA EDWARDS (Production Manager)



Rebecca Edwards is a producer, writer, and director, and has a degree in Theatre Arts from Suffolk University. Rebecca has studied, performed and produced shows at The Second City Chicago, iO Chicago, UCB NYC, and The Ruby LA. Rebecca is a Co-Producer on the upcoming film *El Tonto*, written and directed by Charlie Day, and is currently working on her own short film, *Sad Girl Karaoke*.

CLARRISA THIBEAUX (Actor - Rose)



Clarissa Thibeaux is an LA based actor/writer working in television, film, theater, and new media. Thibeaux was recently in the Echo Theater Company world premiere production of The Found Dog Ribbon Dance as Trista. She has been in multiple feature films, most recently she played the lead in the indie feature Night Rain. Last season, Thibeaux played the lead role of Alex in the Sci Fi Network Feature Film Ice Sharks. Thibeaux starred in the short films Against the Tide as Zoey Radkey, and Panofsky's Complaint as Officer Karen; both are now in the film festival circuit. She graduated with her B.A. in theatre arts from San Diego State University. Thibeaux currently resides in Burbank, CA enjoying every opportunity that comes her way.

SYDNEY STEINBERG (Actor - Hanna)



Sydney Steinberg is an actor, writer and filmmaker from San Diego, CA. In television, Sydney has appeared in *THE COOL KIDS* (FOX) and *SUNNYSIDE* (NBC). Sydney's original sketch "Feminist Campfire Stories," which she wrote and co-starred in, won the Audience Favorite Award at the 2018 Women in Comedy Festival. Sydney is currently writing a sketch show for Freeform Digital. She will next appear in the feature film *12 HOUR SHIFT*, which is set to premiere the Tribeca Film Festival this spring. Sydney was a UCB LA mainstage regular for three years, performing on *Harold Night* and writing for *Maude Night* on *The New Deal*. She is represented by CAA and Rise Management.