

# Paranoia

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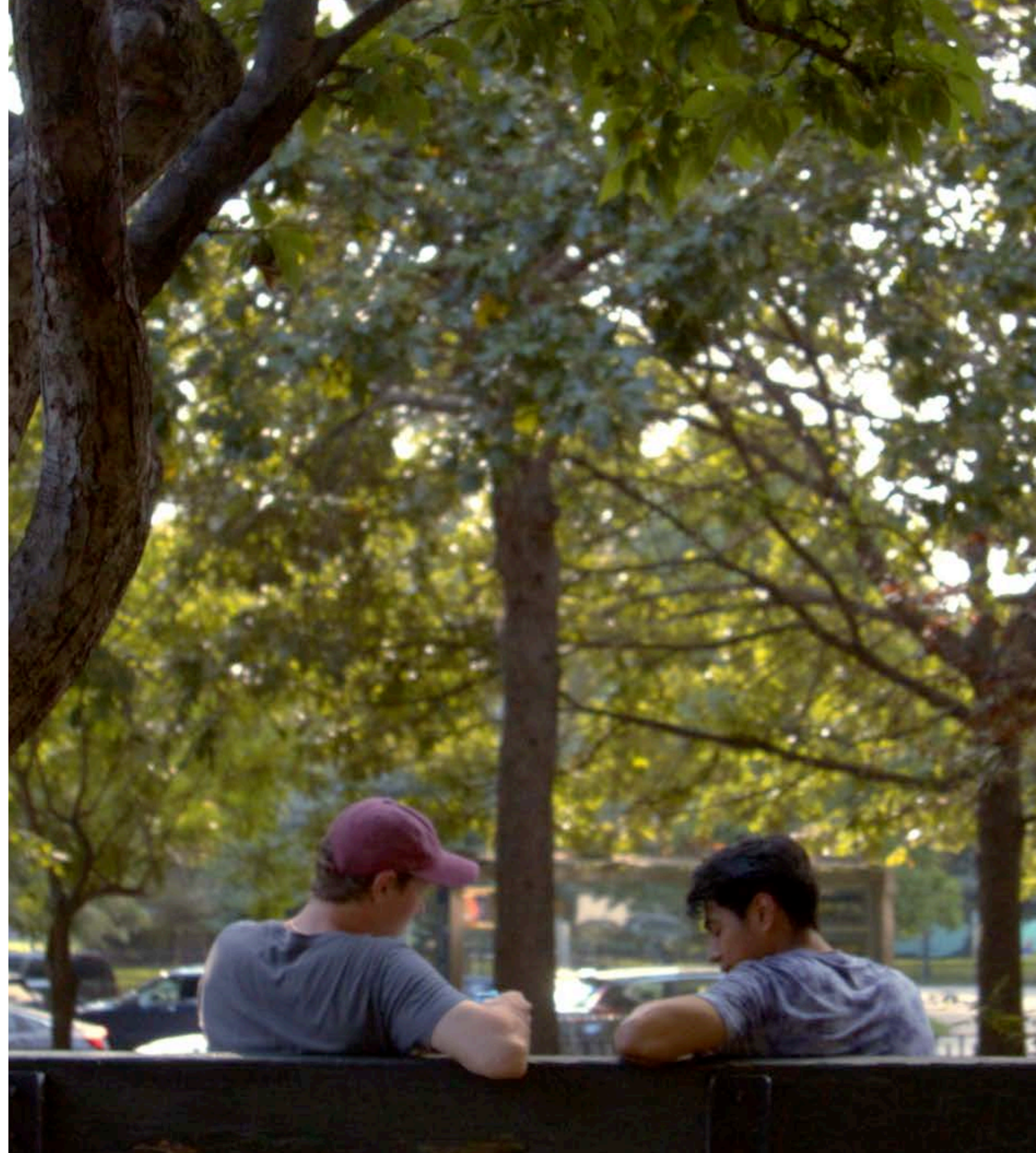


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*Based on the story by Saïd Sayrafiezadeh*

*Originally published in The New Yorker*

- Director & Writer: Sam Chung
- Producer: Gabriela Tamariz
- Executive Producers: David Lopez & Soo-Jeong Kang



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## *Cast*

- Matthew Rodriguez as Roberto Diaz
- Spencer Lackey as Dean
- Jagan Badvel as Mr. Prakash



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## *Crew*

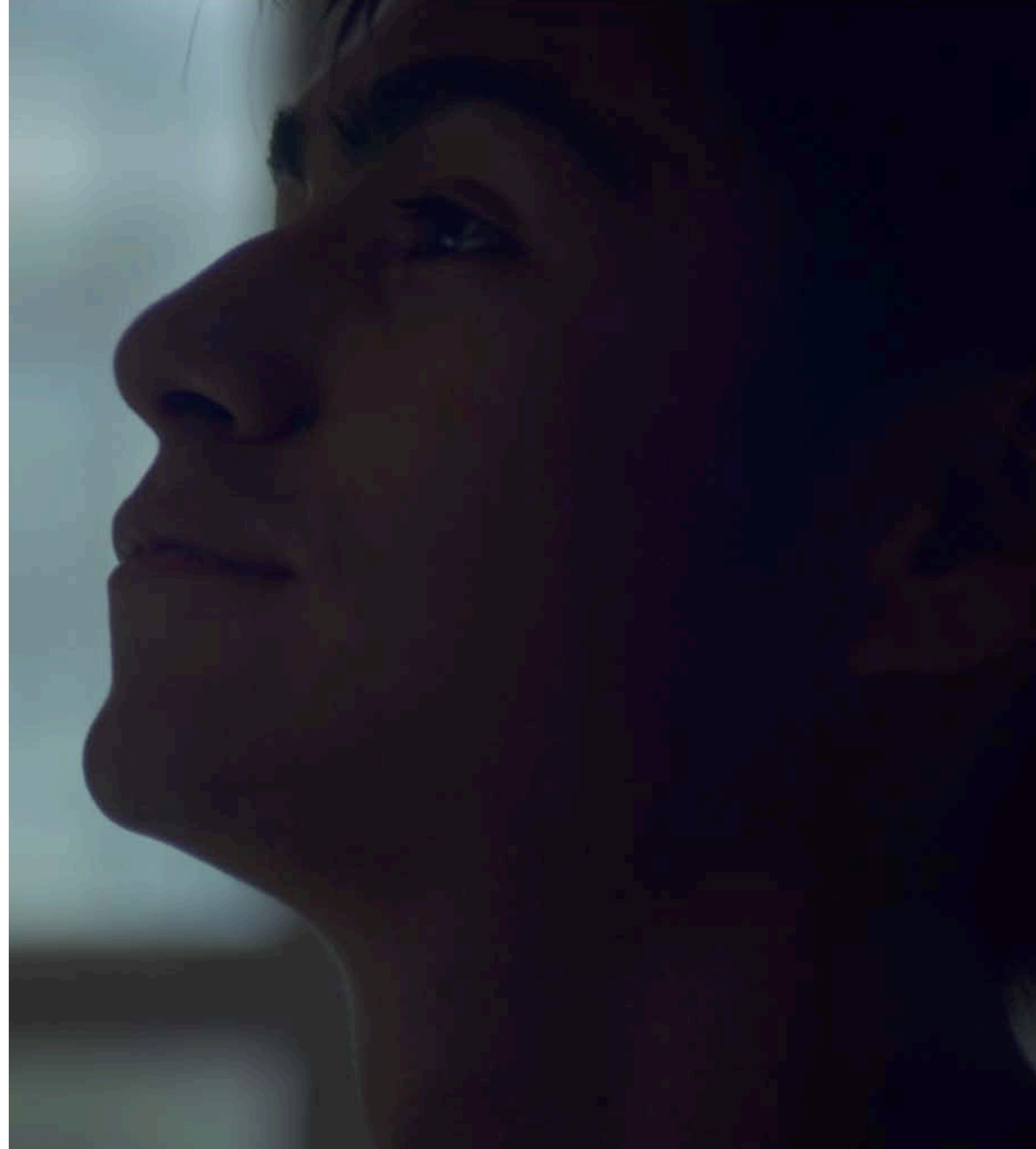
- DP: Ramin Shakibaei
- Editor: Dan Suter
- Costume Design: Grace Kim
- Original Music: Eugene Yoon
- Production Designer: Sarah Favreau



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## *Synopsis*

Robbie, an undocumented Chilean immigrant, and Dean, his childhood friend, navigate their increasingly uncertain world when rumors increased deportation loom over Robbie's life and their friendship.



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## *Director's Statement*

Paranoia is based off the short story of the same name by Saïd Sayrafiezadeh, first published in The New Yorker. It's a story that is relatable to many people but especially to immigrants: the opportunity to create a life of one's own, wondering what is "American" in order to fit in, feeling alienated in a country we call home. While the resulting film couldn't cover all these topics, Paranoia, through its two main characters, Dean and Robbie, illustrates how the smallest details and most mundane of days make the biggest difference for the lives of many immigrants today.

The film would like to extend our thanks to Saïd and his agent, Zoë Pagnamenta, for the trust they put in us to adapt this incredible story, David Lopez, Soo-jeong Kang, and The New Yorker for their generous support, The Gotham, and the many friends and family who contributed to make this film a reality.



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## *Technical Information*

Format: Digital

Ratio: 16:9

Audio: Stereo

Runtime: 18 min 7 secs

Country of Production: USA

Fiscally Sponsor: The Gotham