

TREE OF LIFE

RICHARD BAMBOOZLED BRAD PITT IN THE MOVIE, "TREE OF LIFE," WHICH WON BEST FILM 2011 AT THE CANNES FILM FESTIVAL.

Director Terrence Malick wanted to make sure Brad Pitt lost at the black jack table so Richard was brought in to make sure Brad never won a hand. Don't blink or you'll miss the moment where Turner cheats Pitt.

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WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY TERRENCE MALICK

From director **Terrence Malick** (BADLANDS, DAYS OF HEAVEN, THE THIN RED LINE, THE NEW WORLD) comes a thought provoking film experience. His fifth film, THE TREE OF LIFE, is a hymn to life, excavating answers to the most haunting and personal human questions through a kaleidoscope of the intimate and the cosmic, from the raw emotions of a family in a small Texas town to the wildest, infinite edges of space and time, from a boy's loss of innocence to a man's transforming encounters with awe, wonder and transcendence.

An impressionistic story of a Midwestern family in the 1950's, the film follows the life journey of the eldest son, Jack, through the innocence of childhood to his disillusioned adult years as he tries to reconcile a complicated relationship with his father (**Brad Pitt**). Jack (played as an adult by **Sean Penn**) finds himself a lost soul in the modern world, seeking answers to the origins and meaning of life while questioning the existence of faith. Through Malick's signature imagery, we see how both brute nature and spiritual grace shape not only our lives as individuals and families, but all life.

Fox Searchlight Pictures and River Road Entertainment present THE TREE OF LIFE, written and directed by AFS Advisory Board Member Terrence Malick and starring Brad Pitt, Sean Penn and **Jessica Chastain**. The producers are AFS Board Member **Sarah Green**, **Bill Pohl**, **Brad Pitt**, **Dede Gardner** and **Grant Hill**. The executive producer is **Donald Rosenfeld**, the co-producer is **Nicolas Gonda**, and **Steve Schwartz** and **Paula Mae Schwartz** are co-executive producers.

The film's artistic crew is comprised of skilled craftspeople who have collaborated with Malick in the past including four-time Academy Award® nominated director of photography **Emmanuel Lubezki** ASC, AMC (THE NEW WORLD, CHILDREN OF MEN); Academy Award® nominated costume designer **Jacqueline West** (THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON); Academy Award® nominated production designer **Jack Fisk** (THERE WILL BE BLOOD, DAYS OF HEAVEN) and a team of editors including **Hank Corwin** ACE (THE NEW WORLD), **Jay Rabinowitz** ACE (I'M NOT THERE, 8 MILE), Academy Award® nominee **Daniel Rezende** (CITY OF GOD), two-time Academy Award®-nominee **Billy Weber** (THE THIN RED LINE, DAYS OF HEAVEN) and **Mark Yoshikawa** (THE NEW WORLD). **Alexandre Desplat**, three time Academy Award nominee for THE CURIOUS CASE OF BENJAMIN BUTTON, THE QUEEN and THE KING'S SPEECH, composed the score.