

# Seed of Darkness

35mm / 100 min / Color / VISTA/ 2006 Malaysia

**A Film by**  
Michael Chuah

Starring

Wong Sze Zen  
Alvin Wong  
Wick Teo  
Amber

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## Synopsis

Seed of Darkness weaves a spooky tale of the life of a single mother by choice who decides to undergo an "in-vitro" fertilization (IVF) process in Singapore to have her child of her own. Seven years later, she moves into a new apartment and her child begins to behave oddly, much to the bafflement of the young mother.

Her fears begin to mount when she finds her child frequently talking to herself in the presence of a shadowy figure, who had been appearing in their new home. When she tries to question her child on her behavior, she was shocked to discover that her child has been communicating with her non-existent father.

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## KEY STAFF/CREW

### Director

**Michael Chuah**

After obtaining an accounting from Monash University, Michael Chuah began to pursue his childhood dream of being a filmmaker.

Michael Chuah made a great debut as a talented director by winning the Best Experimental Film (silver) and Best Short Film (bronze) in the 2002 Malaysian Video Awards with his film, The Encounter. He did not limit himself to directing but expanded his interest in scriptwriting, and again his Carpe Diem managed to take another Best Short Film (bronze) award in Malaysian Video Awards 2003.

In 2004, Michael Chuah's film "Love at First Sight" gets the top 2 awards from the Astro Chinese Short Film Awards in the Open Category, claiming the gold and best videography award.

He has been actively involved in the local independent film scene, and is one of the 7 filmmakers that is selected for the "Beautiful Malaysia Short Film Roadshow", to further promote the awareness on local independent filmmaking. He hopes that more Malaysians will start watching local film productions so that Malaysia can have a vibrant film industry of its own.

After establishing himself as an independent director, he has now venture into mainstream film in making a local Chinese film – Seed of Darkness, a Malaysian Chinese Horror movie to be released nationwide.

## FILMOGRAPHY

- 2002 Malaysian Video Awards (Silver) Best Experimental Film  
Malaysian Video Awards (Bronze) Best Short Film
- 2003 MOV International Digital Film Festival, Philipines, Best Short Film  
Cyberjaya Digital Video Competition (Gold) Best Experimental Film  
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Malaysian Video Awards (Bronze) Best Short Film
- 2004 Astro Chinese Short Film (Winner)  
Astro Chinese Short Film (Best Videography)  
Thai Film Festival Best Asian Short Film  
Cyberjaya Digital Video Competition (Bronze) Best Drama

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## TECHNICAL CREDITS

### -STAFF-

Director.....Michael Chuah  
Assistant Director.....Kok Kai Foong  
Screenplay.....Michael Chuah, Khee Mei Chyn, Oliver Lee  
Cinematography.....C.Kumaresan  
Art Direction.....Crystal Woo  
Production Design.....Law Gwo Yunn  
Music.....Lim Jit Woei  
Production Manager.....Oliver Lee  
Assistant Cameraman.....Devresan  
Grip.....Mano

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## TECHNICAL CREDITS

### - CAST -

Yan..... Wong Sze Zen  
Sang..... Alvin Wong  
Kit..... Vick Teo  
Dr Chen..... Amber

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## CAST BIOS

### i) **Alvin Wong**

He has long been involved in local TV sitcoms (Each Other, Getting Together, Table For Two, Home Coming (Local Cantonese Drama) and Misadventure of Alvin and Tony (coming soon). A versatile talent by his very own style, he has also involved in local TVCs, among the more reputable one are, ASTRO, Digi, and most recently 8TV Chinese New Year Ad. Mr. Alvin has also bagged the Best Actor in a TVC in the Malaysian Video Awards 2004.



### ii) **Wong Sze Zen**

Sze Zen was Miss Malaysia World 2003/2004 and is an established model in her own right, on TV and print ads locally. Among the ads that she was featured in are Hong Leong MTV credit card, FHM cover page, CLEO, V Mag and etc. She made her first debut in a local feature film last year, Visits: The Hungry Ghost Anthology where she acted in a lead role.



### iii) **Ms. Amber Chia**

Amber Chia, currently appearing in a number of international print ads for Guess watches, was selected by George Marciano himself to be co-winner in the International Guess Timeless



Beauty Competition.

Besides Guess, she has modeled for L'oreal and Biore, and appeared in television commercials for RC Cola and Sony. She has also been featured in numerous magazine covers such as Elle (US), Her World, Marie Claire, FHM and many others.

**iv) Kit, played by Vick Teo**

Kit is a warm-hearted brother who takes care of his sister, Yan. Since moving into a new home, Yan seems to have changed. Kit is very concern on his sister's well being and tries to allocate more time for her, hoping that her changes is only temporary.



Vick was the Malaysian Idol 2004 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up, and was the last remaining Chinese participant in Malaysian Idol 2004. His style and presence has attracted a large number of fans and they will be looking forward towards his acting debut.

**v) Leong Jiun Jiun**

Jiun Jiun is a 10 year old girl who was spotted by Director Michael Chuah through audition process. Seed of Darkness is her movie debut.

