

X - M E N O R I G I N S :
M A G N E T O

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FADE IN:

BLACK:

WE HEAR SHOUTING...SCREAMS...CRIES FOR HELP.

DOGS BARKING IN THE DISTANCE.

SMASH CUT TO:

INT. 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF AUSCHWITZ - DAY

LEGEND: AUSCHWITZ, POLAND

Many people have gathered in this unholy place.

SOME THEM SURVIVORS.

MANY WERE KILLED

AT THE HANDS OF NAZIS.

BUT ALL THAT HAS PASSED NOW...NOTHING LIKE CAN EVER
HAPPEN IN THIS DAY AND AGE...

PEOPLE SIT IN ROWS OF CHAIRS LEADING DOWN TO THE
ENTRANCE OF THE AUSCHWITZ EXTERMINATION CAMP.

A rabbi is delivering a sermon.

Some of the people are really moved to tears. some
can not bear to stand in this place of hell.

we pan through the rows and slowly make our way to the last row...

WIDE ON: THE LAST ROW.

A MAN...AN OLD MAN SITS...A TEAR GOES DOWN HIS WRINKLY FACE...

THIS MAN HAS SEEN HELL THROUGH HIS VERY EYES...HAS SEEN LOSS...HAS SEEN HATE.

THIS OLD MAN IS:

ERIK LEHNSHERR

OR AS KNOWN TO MANY MUTANTS AS

MAGNETO!

HE IS ABOUT IN HIS MID 60S OR 70S.

He looks around...he is a survivor of this camp. His eye catches a view of a metal gate.

this metal gate is crumpled. as if some one took their hands and crumpled their selves.

Erik closes his eyes.

INT./FLASHBACK:

SKIES...THEY ARE GREY AS IF A SEVERE STORM IS ABOUT TO HIT.

WE HEAR SCREAMS. THEN A WHISTLE BLOWS.

PAN DOWN TO REVEAL:

HORIZONTAL triangles of barbed wire creep up,
followed by mcze of the same, until we come to a
large brick arch way. upon it a sign:

ARBEIT MACHT FRIE

GERMEN SOLDERS, or NAZIS SHOUT AT THE JEWS.

LEGEND: AUSCHWITZ, POLAND 1943

A TRAIN GRINDS TO A HALT.

Just beyond the train tracks are literally hundreds
if not thousands of expatriated Jews bond for the
inevitable.

the doors are flung opens as, The German solders
start yelling.

Men, women and children are herded of the train
like cows and are move toward an open yard.

SOME SOLDERS THINK ITS FUNNY TO THROUGH FOOD CRUMBS
AT THE JEWS. SOME THINK ITS FUNNY TO HIT THEM WITH
THE BUTT OF THEIR RIFFLES.

ANGLE ON,

A BOY,

A boy who will not die this day. a boy who will
live to see the end of this war and the future.
this is ERIK. He is about 13 or 14.

He holds tight on his mother fathers hands...

His father smiles at him. reassuring him.

than,

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THE SCREAMING BEGINS!

THE SOLDERS PUSH THROUGH THE MOB USING RIFFLES AND
PIKES...

Screaming and terrorizing all of them. like
someone's nightmare...

They are dividing the mob into smaller groups...

Men from women...children from adults...the family
tries to stay together...they cling onto
themselves...

They are finally pulled apart by nazi solders.

ERIK FALLS TO THE MUDDY/SNOWY GROUND.

they parents are taken by the solders...and pushed
into a larger group.

ERIK tries to run to his parents. by the solders
grab him.

him and his parents are separated by a metal fence.
the same fence we saw earlier....

ERIK
(SCREAMING, HELPLESS)
MAMMA!!! DADDY!!!

HE RUNS TO THE FENCES AND HIS PARENTS ARE SOBBING
AND SCREAMING.

THEN WE HEAR GUN SHOTS...SOME TRY TO FIGHT OFF THE NAZIS BUT ARE SHOT TO DEATH.

THE SOLDERS GET ERIK AND TRY TO PULL HIM AWAY...

THEY SURE ARE HAVING A TOUGH TIME PULLING HIM AWAY.

THEY LOOK DOWN AND SEE HIS FEET AREN'T EVEN TOUCHING THE GROUND!

His outstretched fingers claw at the thin air and he screams until the blood in his face turns blue!

THE FARTHER THEY GET FROM THE FENCE THE HEAVIER HE GETS.

SOME SOLDERS FALL TO THE GROUND FROM PULLING HIM...THEY LOOK AT ONE ANOTHER. WHAT THE HELL'S GOING ON!!!

we can see his parents along with many jews being locked in a small house sized place. were some nazi's wear gas masks. and shut the doors.

THEY ARE IN A GAS CHAMBER!

ERIK SCREAMS.

THEN THEY HEAR A SOUND.

The unmistakable twang of wire stretched to snapping.

ANGLE ON,

The fence. That separates his parents and him,
it bows towards him like iron fillings to a magnet,
and several of the strands of barbered wire have
given way...

ERIK CONTINUES TO SCREAM,

EVERYONE HAS A CONFUSED EXPRESSION. WHAT IS HE??!!

One of the soldiers can't stand this freak show
anymore...he takes his pistol and brains him
violently...

he slumps, and the soldiers carrying him spring
forward...looking at one another with some
concern...Confusion.

then they follow the line of children that has
gotten ahead of them...

SMASH CUT TO:

PRESENT:

ERIK opens his eyes. A terrible memory.

a nightmare...

CUT TO:

INT. OUTSIDE GAS CHAMBER HOUSE - LATER

ERIK stands outside the gas chamber.

praying for his parents...

INT. FOOD SERVICE - LATER

ERIK eats his food. alone...

he remembers yet another terrible memory.

FLASHBACK:

INT. NAZI EXPERIMENT ROOM - PAST

We are in a gruesome experiment room...
a dirty, blood stained room.

WE SEE ERIK ON AN OPERATING TABLE.

He is chained and screaming. some of the
metal chairs and table burst into a oblivion
within ERIK'S anger...

A man with a sharp needle in his hand looks
over at ERIK. NAZI GUARDS guard the door...

This man is a mad scientist known as,

DR. KLIENMEIN

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(IN GERMAN, SUBTITLED)
HOW DO YOU DO IT...TELL ME!

ERIK SCREAMS AT THE TOP OF HIS LUNGS.

DR. KLIENMAN
(IN GERMAN, SUBTITLED)
FILTHY JEW!!

He slams down the needle in ERIK'S hand
hard!

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