

Michael Schroeder Director/Producer

Award Winning Writer/Director Michael Schroeder known as a visually gifted filmmaker who's always searching for poetic expansiveness and emotional value in every scene; to take the audience somewhere unexpected.

With MAN IN THE CHAIR, Schroeder blended genres in a distinct vision of 'style and content' by confronting one of the hidden controversies of our day - ageism and neglect. Christopher Plummer referred to his character Flash, as the role of a lifetime. The drama/comedy was a Festival darling winning Best Picture at Santa Barbara, Stony Brook, Kent and Heartland Film Festivals. The picture garnered other Festival honors and notice at Berlin (Crystal Bear - Best Picture Nomination), Seattle, Palm Beach, AFI-Dallas, MethodFest and many others.

Rex Reed, New York Observer: 'MAN IN THE CHAIR, a modest but intelligent feel-good movie with a spectacular performance by Christopher Plummer and some wise and deeply affecting writing and direction from Michael Schroeder. At a time when most films wallow in mankind's basest instincts, MAN IN THE CHAIR is a rare, once in a blue moon kind of movie that celebrates the best qualities in people and makes you applaud the human race.'

Michael Schroeder has made 54 feature films since joining the DIRECTORS GUILD OF AMERICA in 1982. This body of work includes his early First Assistant director career, (a hundred commercials/music videos and thirty feature films, including THE BIG EASY and SHY PEOPLE).



Schroeder's keen eye for talent is evident by the casting Angelina Jolie and Meg Tilly in their first films.

As an Action Director, Schroeder received awards in Hollywood and Internationally; THE GLASS CAGE explosion sequence, Hollywood's Greatest Stunts, https://vimeo.com/23546949 and the DAMNED RIVER white water sequences shot on the Zambezi River in Zimbabwe, https://vimeo.com/156124027.

He founded Elbow Grease Pictures in 2007 currently located in Venice, CA. https://www.elbowgreasepictures.net

Schroeder taught college 2001/2002. He became a Director Professor and taught Film Directing at University of North Carolina School of the Arts, in Winston-Salem.

Michael Schroeder, originally from Idaho, has lived in Los Angeles since 1980. He is the father of four children - Taber, Rachel, Hillary and Milo. He is married to filmmaker, Sharon Cingle Schroeder. When he's not on a film set, he's usually on a golf course or playing basketball at the Hollywood YMCA.













- *Man in the Chair*, starring Christopher Plummer, Michael Angarano, M. Emmet Walsh (Elbow Grease Pictures); Gross not available
- *Cyborg 2*, starring Elias Koteas, Angelina Jolie, Jack Palance (Trimark Pictures, Freedom Filmworks International); Gross not available
- Dead On: Relentless II, starring Ray Sharkey, Leo Rossi, Meg Foster (New Line Cinema, Cinetel Films);
 Gross not available
- *Highlander 2*, starring Christopher Lambert, Sean Connery, Virginia Madsen (Lamb Bear Entertainment); Gross \$15,556,340
- Shakedown, starring Peter Weller, Sam Elliott, George Loros (Shapiro-Glickenhaus); Gross \$10,068,039
- *The Big Easy*, starring Dennis Quaid, Ellen Barkin, Ned Beatty (Kings Road Entertainment); Gross not available