



2009 Shanghai International Film Festival – Best Picture

Prologue

On Air

Hyun-soo: Afternoon Radio with NAM Hyun-soo, taking calls.
Our first caller is the person behind the most popular stories on our website.
Hello, Jung-nam!

Jung-nam: Hi.

Hyun-soo: It's great to hear from you. It's your first time calling us, right?
Are you on your way somewhere? It's noisy in the background...

Jung-nam: I'm going to meet my dad.

Hyun-soo: Good decision. Of course you should go find him!

Jung-nam: Then, I'm really going.

Hyun-soo: I hope you really do. Good luck, Jung-nam!

It all started with one phone call!
Their meeting begins...
Not knowing that everything is about to change.

**Scarier than Drugs, Plastic Surgeries, or Sex Scandals...
<Scandal Makers> unfolds!**

Synopsis

**Major gossips of 2008 yet to come!
More terrifying than drugs, plastic surgeries, or sex scandals...
<Scandal Makers> revealed!**

NAM Hyun-soo (CHA Tae-hyun) was once an idol star with millions of teenage girl fans.
Now in his mid-thirties, he is still popular as the DJ of the number one hit radio show.

One day, HWANG Jung-nam, pretending to be a faithful listener of his show who wrote in her stories everyday, suddenly comes and claims that Hyun-soo is her father! Not only that, she has a son! Jung-nam stalks Hyun-soo at his home and the station, his perfect life about to crumble to pieces. To make matters worse, he gets caught up in scandal with Jung-nam...

Just one scandal and it's game over for me! For good!

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***"Write up a scandal for me! So I can be on the front cover!"
Still popular radio DJ _ NAM Hyun-soo***

NAM Hyun-soo was once a big idol star similar to current leading groups such as Big Bang and TVXQ in Korea.

Although he only stars in one TV commercial, he is still a popular celebrity and the DJ of the number one hit radio show.

Though he draws in listeners with his soft, gentle voice, he's quick to bad-mouth the callers when the show is over. The thirty-six year old bachelor is living up his single life when suddenly HWANG Jung-nam appears out of nowhere claiming to be his long-lost daughter. Hyun-soo gets caught up in the biggest scandal of his life!

Forever young, refreshing actor _ CHA Tae-hyun

Proving his outstanding talent in films, TV dramas, singing albums, as an MC, and even radio DJ, CHA Tae-hyun is the original all-around entertainer. Hard to believe he is already a father, he still maintains his young appearance and freshness and has a wide range of fans. In <Scandal Makers>, he transforms into NAM Hyun-soo, a popular radio DJ who gets confronted by someone who claims to be his long-lost daughter. He shows off his clever, bright, comedic talent and proves his celebrity power once again.

CHA, who had been a radio DJ until recently, naturally fit into the role of Hyun-soo.

This winter, <Scandal Makers> promises refreshing laughter and fun.

Filmography

Films: <Babo>(2008), <Highway Star>(2007), <My Girl and I>(2005), <Sad Movie>(2005), <Two Guys>(2004), <Happy Naked Christmas>(2003), <Lovers' Concerto>(2002), <My Sassy Girl>(2001)

Awards:

2003 – Popular Star Award at the 24th Blue Dragon Film Awards

2002 – Best New Actor at the 25th Golden Camera Awards

- Popular Star Award at the 23rd Blue Dragon Film Awards

- Male Popularity Award at the 39th Grand Bell Awards

2001 – Best New Actor at the 22nd Blue Dragon Film Awards

1999 – Best New Actor at the 35th Paeksang Art Awards

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"Really! You're my dad!!"

***Celebrity NAM Hyun-soo stalker who claims to be his daughter
HWANG Jung-nam***

Different from her pure, innocent appearance, Jung-nam is a strong, stern character who is not ready to lose to anyone. The twenty-two-year-old with a six-year-old son pretends to be a faithful listener of 'Afternoon Radio with NAM Hyun-soo' and writes in about her life every single day to slowly reveal herself to Hyun-soo. Then one day, she says 'I'm going' and suddenly appears before Hyun-soo. She claims she is his long-lost daughter, whom he had when he was a teenager, and makes him tremble over the 'scandal' getting out.

Discovery of an actress to lead the big screen's next generation PARK Bo-young

With her baby-soft face and innocent smile, PARK Bo-young is a beautiful up-and-coming actress. In the TV drama series, <The King and I>, she took on the role of 'So-hwa', Queen YOON as a child, and started receiving much attention from the public for her stable, mature acting. She took on her first role on the big screen in <Our School's E.T.>, starring KIM Soo-ro. In <Scandal Makers> she transforms into Jung-nam who claims Hyun-soo, the popular radio DJ, as her 'dad' and follows him around like a stalker. She perfects a shocking, unconventional female character never seen before in Korean films. And despite her young age, she skillfully portrays a mother with a six-year-old son. Along with the child actor, WANG Suk-hyun, the mother-and-son stalker duo is sure to dazzle audiences.

With her innocent looks aside, her cool, impudent facial expressions and unpredictable actions drive her senior counterpart, CHA Tae-hyun to the wall on film. Through <Scandal Makers>, PARK Bo-young proves she is the actress to lead Korean films into the future.

Filmography

Films: <Our School's E.T.>(2008), <The ESP Couple>(2008), <If You Were Me 4>(2008)

Awards:

2007 – Best Child Actress Award – SBS TV Awards

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"My father's grandfather's second son, uncle"

HWANG Ki-dong – WANG Suk-hyun

With Korean card playing skills that put adults to shame and a cynical yet charming smile, Ki-dong is a smart, quick-witted six-year-old. Along with his mom Jung-nam, he skillfully stalks and taunts Hyun-soo. With natural acting talent, rarely seen in child actors, WANG beat the odds 100:1 to land the role of Ki-dong on <Scandal Makers>. WANG Suk-hyun, who is also six in real life, received much facial expression making training from top senior star, CHA Tae-hyun and followed PARK Bo-young (in the role of Jung-nam) around like a real mom to add to the reality of the film. WANG Suk-hyun, the best kept secret card of the film, is sure to delight audiences.

"I told you, you'd mess up!"

LEE Chang-hoon – SUNG Ji-roo

Chang-hoon started a band in his college years with his close friend, Hyun-soo. At his prime, he was a member of an idol group which soaked in the privileges of fame, much like Big Bang and TVXQ of today. Now, he runs a veterinary clinic and shares in all the ups and downs of his still-popular celebrity friend, Hyun-soo's life and gives him advice. With his strong, unique looks and memorable acting talent, SUNG Ji-roo has delighted fans in a wide variety of roles. After their co-performance in <Crazy First Love>, SUNG makes a special guest appearance in <Scandal Makers> for his long-time friend, CHA, in the role of a former idol star and now only friend to Hyun-soo. SUNG's brilliant performance radiates once again.

Filmography

<Santa Maria>(2008), <Paradise Murdered>(2007), <The Customer is Always Right>(2006), <Spring Breeze>(2003), <Teacher Kim Bong-du>(2003), <Crazy First Love>(2003), <A Good Lawyer's Wife>(2003)

"What's your relationship with him?"

Sang-yoon – LIM Jin-kyu

Jung-nam's first love, Sang-yoon, is photographer-in-training who still carries a flame for Jung-nam. He hears about Jung-nam's story on the radio by chance and eventually succeeds in meeting her again. Later, he witnesses Jung-nam meeting the radio DJ, Hyun-soo Nam. Mad with jealousy, he starts tailing behind Hyun-soo and Jung-nam to uncover their relationship. Actor LIM Jin-kyu who became known through his performance in films like <Milky Way Liberation Front> and <Who's That Knocking at My Door?>, now plays the ex-boyfriend who stalks Jung-nam. With his boy-next-door image, he turns into a young man who is devoted to one girl alone in <Scandal Makers>. His strong acting skills, refined through various short films, are revealed in his first comedic role in <Scandal Makers> as he takes a step closer to audiences with a more mature performance.

Filmography

<Milky Way Liberation Front>(2007), <Who's That Knocking at My Door?>(2007), <Fingerprint>(2004), <Tazza>(2008)

Director

Promising Korean director with hot passion and ambition

Director KANG Hyung-chul

Having much experience in directing many short films and working on various scenarios, director KANG Hyung-chul presents refreshing images and natural-born comedic touch in <Scandal Makers>. The comedic episodes around the former idol-star-turned-popular-radio-DJ, Hyun-soo, being confronted with a woman who claims to be his long-lost daughter are very humorously captured with the director's witty touch. The hilarious scenes are sure to dazzle audiences. KANG's intuition and gentle nature, unexpected of a director making his first feature film debut, showed good on-set control and gained much confidence in him from the actors and staff alike. With the tight-knit cast and staff together with utter trust in the ambitious, young director, expect <Scandal Makers> to thrill, dazzle, and entertain.