

Amerigo Film

presents

A Luca Costa & Piergiorgio Curci production

*The  
Big Break*

A film by Matthew Hals

A hitman comedy with a twist ..

An actress's plan to sleep her way to the top goes awry when she mistakes an inexperienced mafia hitman for the powerful producer he was sent to kill. The actress soon realizes the hitman may have acting ambitions of his own.

## Synopsis

The casting couch isn't as comfy as one might think. Especially when the producer you intended to seduce has a gun and thinks you're trying to rob the place.

On the other hand, killing a deadbeat producer over bad debts he owes your boss isn't quite as easy when in his place sits a beautiful and bemused starlet.

Coincidence yields confusion and comedy when the actress realizes the hitman may have acting ambitions of his own.

**Director****Matthew Hals**

Matt Hals is a writer/director living in Los Angeles. He has been involved in various aspects of the film industry since his first job as a Production Assistant on a micro-budget feature in Seattle, Washington way back in 1998.

Since then, he has explored the industry in positions ranging from Camera Assistant to Production Coordinator, from Script Analyst to Writer, Producer and Director. He has shot his own narrative films and documentaries on location in Seattle, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Santa Cruz, and Las Vegas.

He is currently developing two feature-length screenplays.

**Producer / Actor****Luca Costa**

A native of Italy, Luca Costa moved to San Francisco, CA in 2000.

Having gotten his start in show business in Italy as an actor and musician, he began pursuing acting roles in the US under the guidance of Shelley Mitchell's Actor's Center of San Francisco. Met with initial success on both stage and film, but unsatisfied with the caliber of roles available to non-native speakers, he decided to produce a short film to showcase his abilities. Thus Amerigo Film and The Big Break were spawned.

Named after his grandfather, Amerigo Gubernati, Amerigo Film was co-founded with Piergiorgio Curci in order to produce The Big Break as well as other short and feature-length films, several of which are already in development.

Costa remains focused on acting, but foresees continuing the dual-role of actor and producer because of the level of creativity it facilitates.

## Cast

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Diego	Luca Costa
Loretta	Pia Shah
1 <sup>st</sup> Auditioner	Colin Stuart
2 <sup>nd</sup> Auditioner	Deirdre McGruder
3 <sup>rd</sup> Auditioner	Travis Thoms

## Crew

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Producer	Luca Costa
Co-Producer	Piergiorgio Curci
Associate Producer	Lily Gwyer-Miller
Director	Matthew Hals
Director of Photography	Alexander Martin
Camera Operator	Alejandro Lalinde
1 <sup>st</sup> Camera Assistant	Vera Freitag
PA and 1t DA	Vanessa Streiff
Grip	Roberto Grijalva
Sound and Boom operator	Brian Copenhagen
Costume Designer	William Martin
Location Manager	Chris Geraghty
Photographer	Mark Madeo

Editor Warren Paeff

Sound Advisors Jeff Eisner and Sheri Clemente  
Sound Engineers Dennis Kirk and Mike Fleming  
Editorial Bob Ewing  
Recordist Alec St. John

3d CGI Animation Wali Sultani

Graphic Designer Aaron Davis  
Neil Metson

Music composed and orchestrated by Tim Curran

*“Ego Song”*

written, produced and performed by Chip & Drifty  
Tim Curran and David Levine

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Luisa Costa – Marco Raghino – Nicola Ugliengo

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