

Michael Rivers

CASTING INFORMATION

Character Overview:

Supporting Role

Age Range: 15-18 (actor who can appear 15)

Ethnicity: African American

Physical Description: Athletic build; strong and agile with the appearance of a young athlete.

Michael is Simon's classmate, teammate, and quiet rival. Michael is driven, competitive, and always feels like he has something to prove, especially to his father who holds him to impossibly high standards.

His relationship with Simon is layered. Beneath the competitiveness and occasional tension lies an unspoken admiration and the deep ache of not feeling "good enough". When a tragic accident changes everything, Michael is left to wrestle with guilt, shame, and a haunting sense of responsibility.

Michael's emotional arc is one of the most powerful in the film: from competition to conflict, to a redemptive moment of surrender where he discovers what it truly means to be seen and loved by God.

What We're Looking For:

We are seeking a black male actor who can believably portray a 15-yearold. The actor should have an athletic build and a presence that reflects both confidence and emotional depth.

We are open to a range of experience levels- but acting must be natural, and deeply believable.

PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

- Athletic and Fit (football player build)
- Ability to perform brief football- related activity.
- Eye color - any
- No face Tattoos and or piercings

WARDROBE

- Football Uniform, cleats, shoulder pads, helmet)
- School Uniform - (white button down, navy or black pants)
- Winter dress clothes for last scene

