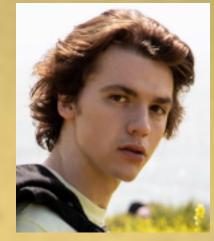
LEAD CHARACTERS

Note: Some names are changed and bios enhanced for creative interpretation and artistic license purposes.

1st Lieutenant William D. Thompson (Anderson) (25) - Intelligent, curious but cautious, decent young career American soldier first assigned to General Douglas MacArthur communications staff at HQ in the Philippines. He keeps a diary to record Japanese atrocities, Allied POW deaths, and to give himself a purpose while incarcerated. As an officer, he tries to be fair-minded and protective of his fellow soldiers believing the Japanese captors will face justice after the war and he will be reunited with his family.







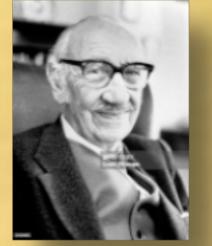
Suggested Actors

Joel Courtney



Josh Hutcherson

Major Robert Peaty (Perry) (38) - Wise, experienced career officer UK Secret Intelligence Service (SIS) better known as (MI6), fluent in Japanese, Korean, Chinese Mandarin and Cantonese with knowledge of Asia Pacific politics, business and military history. He keeps a wartime diary that exposes the Japanese atrocities and assists with interpretations, sabotage tricks, and spycraft.



Peaty in 1960



James McAvoy



Luke Evans

Decun "Lao" Gao (55) - Chinese Factory Foreman at MKK munitions plant speaks broken English and Japanese. He uses his contacts in nearby Mukden City to smuggle extra food, medicines, and tools to the Allied POWs. Lao finds a detailed map of Northeast China, he provides to three escapees that later briefly imprisons him and loses his wife.



Lao Gao



Jing Wu



Jackie Chan

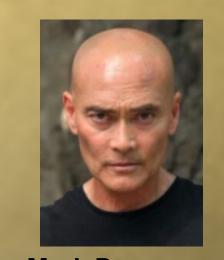
Colonel Genji Matsuda (50) - Japanese Commandant of Mukden POW Camp. Bitter hard-liner because he was reassigned to a prisoner camp he believes is beneath his stature. Matsuda creates cruel, inhumane conditions in the overcrowded camp, he withholds Red Cross humanitarian packages and in a cowardly act, murders POWs with starvation and firing squads.



Col. Matsuda



Hiroyuki Sanada



Mark Decascos