



**Directed By:** Anthony Pedone

**Produced By:** Bianca Butti, Darko Lungulov & Anthony Pedone

**Written By:** Anthony Pedone & Stephen Floyd

**Cast:** James Paxton, Charlotte Best, Sam Dillon, JR Villarreal, Tony Cavalero, Holt Boggs, Barry Corbin, David Yow, Christopher Matthew Cook, David Sullivan, Jello Biafra & Keith Jardine.

### **Synopsis:**

An angry, crackling and defiantly disordered underclass of nowheresville punk- rock kids, see their band Surgeon General's Warning (SGW) as their ticket out of small town Texas, as 1990 comes to a close. The band drops acid, plays gigs and carries out calculated acts of vandalism around town to the television soundtrack of 24-hour newscasts about Operation Desert Storm and devotion to country at any cost. Faced with the reality of a dead end job at the plastic plant, a life in the oil field, or fighting a war that has no meaning to them, the group's chaos and imminent adulthood leaves them completely vulnerable for what ensues.

Some Reviews and info:

★★★★★...*“An absolute adrenaline rush of a movie that captured something pure... Ferocious and unrelenting...One of the best indie films of the year”*...Chris Olsen, [UK Film Review](#)

*Although set in 1990, An American in Texas feels strangely relevant to the nation's current, never- more-polarized moment. The film's energy and ambition surges like a heart-on-sleeve anthem, amps cranked to*

*It in a hymn of righteous malcontent and surprising grace...* Steve Dollar  
for Indiewire, WSJ)

*Director Anthony Pedone, opens with the president announcing the official start of the Gulf War and a flurry of masked teens destroying a house with bats, hammers, and other tools. From this brief opening, it becomes impossible to look away as the movie unfolds realistically and intriguingly...* Bobby LePire, [Film Threat](#)

**Anthony Pedone** was born in Dallas, and got his first taste of indie film as an extra on the set of Richard Linklater's, "**Dazed and Confused**". Although Anthony has produced over 15 features, shorts and documentaries, **An American in Texas** is his first time directing a narrative feature. He produced **The Strongest Man** which world premiered in 2015 at the **Sundance Film Festival**.

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[www.anamericanintexas.com](http://www.anamericanintexas.com)

trailer:

<https://vimeo.com/232734627>

BTS: Zander Schloss (Circle Jerks) talks about the music used for the music of the band in the film - written and recorded by Schloss & the rhythm section of the Circle Jerks with Schloss on vocals. The music was a demo for a new Circle Jerks album that never came to fruition.

<https://vimeo.com/169724009>

## **Press & Links**

[Moviemaker Magazine 10/11/16](#)

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