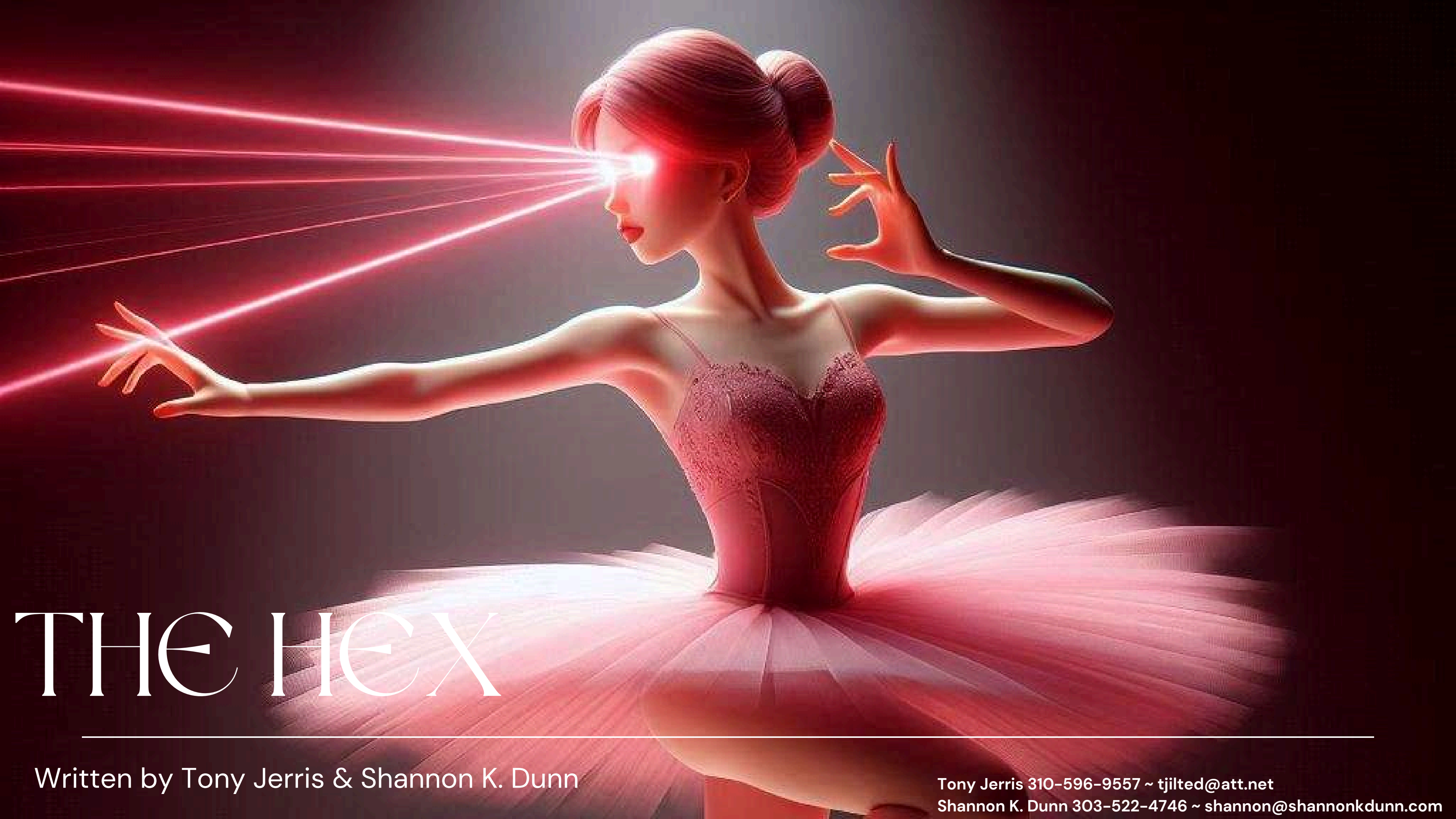




THE HEX

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LOGLINE

After a recently divorced mother's 7-year-old daughter receives an antique ballerina jewelry box, a malevolent entity traps the girl's spirit in a quest for immortality, unleashing a series of terrifying supernatural events that threaten to destroy their home and their lives.



SYNOPSIS

Julia, a recently divorced woman in her 30s, inherits her aunt's house in Crimson Hollow. On the way there with her 7-year-old daughter Katie, they find an antique ballerina jewelry box that plays a tinny version of "Tiptoe Through the Tulips" which an elderly woman named Cora gives to Katie free of charge.

Katie becomes obsessed with the box, calling the ballerina inside "Beatrice," and then suddenly, strange events begin to occur.

Julia befriends Naomi, 40s, a neighbor who reveals that Cora died 25 years ago. The ballerina's influence over Katie grows sinister, leading to Naomi's death in a suspicious accident. Julia then finds a hidden locket in the box, revealing a curse tied to Cora's deceased daughter, Beatrice.

Determined to save Katie from the hex, Julia researches how to break the curse and confronts the malevolent spirit in a tense showdown. Will she succeed?



CAST

JULIA



Recently divorced and adjusting to life in her late aunt's inherited home, Julia struggles to keep it all together while coping with an absent ex-husband and her young daughter's sudden, erratic behavior—unaware that her daughter is being possessed by a malevolent force.

KATIE



Sweet, 7-year-old who is obsessed with the jewelry box and becomes possessed by the evil spirit that comes to life when the music is played.

NAOMI



She lives behind Julia's house and usually walks through the woods behind the house to Julia's. They become friends and Naomi helps Julia adjust to her new life.

CAST

CORA



A sweet old lady who gifted Katie the jewelry box, but beneath her kind exterior lies a sinister side – she cursed the box with a dark hex.

GERT



Cora's sister and her complete opposite. A grandmotherly figure who reveals the truth about the hex and explains that Julia must break it.

SHERIFF WALKER



A skeptical small-town sheriff who dismisses Julia's claims as the ramblings of a troubled mind, viewing her as eccentric and her concerns about the jewelry box as unfounded.

COMPARABLE FILMS

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Budget \$12M

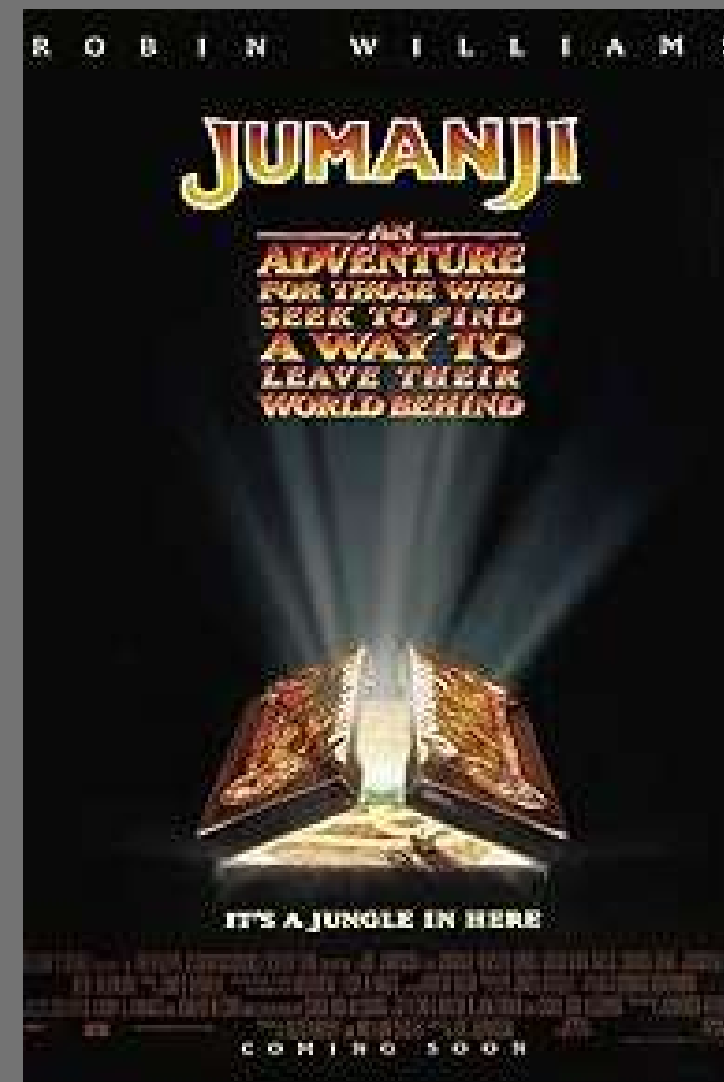
Gross \$180M



Jumanji

Budget \$65M

Gross \$263M



Child's Play

Budget \$9M

Gross \$44M



PRODUCTION SPECS

- Limited Locations
- Small Cast
- No Animals
- Minor Special Effects
- Minimal Stunts
- Low Budget – \$750K–\$1.5M



Writer Bios



Tony and Shannon are an award winning writing team and have been successfully writing together for over 10 years. They were hired to write a thriller for a major cable network (NDA) and currently have 4 Christmas themed scripts in option and another in post. They recently optioned their thriller, "Knock" which is set for production in October, 2024.

Solely, Tony was hired to adapt Rhonda Shear's book "Up All Night" into a feature film and series, which was a top 10 finalist in the emerging screenwriters contest, and Shannon has won several awards for her short film "Pasta" including the grand jury award for 'best story' by the New York International Film Awards.



Tony wrote a role for Shannon to play 'Paula,' a snarky cashier in his comedy feature "Yellow Bird," which was produced by Bridge & Acorn Entertainment and won 'best feature' in the 2023 Santa Monica International Film Festival and 'best comedy' in the Los Angeles International Film Festival. Yellow Bird is now available on Amazon Prime, Apple+, and DVD. For more information and links to our IMDb pages, please visit our websites below:

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