ALEX MONTALDO

Actor Spotlight – The Seeding

Role: Corvus – Leader of the feral boys
Director: Barnaby Clay
Release: 2024

In Barnaby Clay's desert-set horror *The Seeding*, Alex Montaldo delivers a performance that is as primal as it is magnetic. As Corvus—the unchallenged leader of a pack of wild, sadistic boys—Montaldo commands the screen with a feral charisma that blends menace, charm, and unpredictable volatility.

Critics have drawn comparisons between Corvus and the iconic Sawyer children from *The Texas Chainsaw Massacre*, citing Montaldo's ability to channel a dangerous, tribal energy that feels both grounded and mythic. His portrayal transforms Corvus into more than just an antagonist; he's a shamanic showman, a carnival barker of cruelty, and the unsettling moral center of the boys' desert enclave.

Critical Praise

> *"Terrifying performances from the older members of the boys, especially Alex Montaldo… definitely based their characters on the cannibalistic Sawyer family children." – What A Scream Podcast*

> *"Montaldo and Michael Monsour are the best of the bunch… sinister and hostile." – Joe's Horror Reviews*

> *"Alex Montaldo and Charlie Avink [deliver] good work" that helps make the children feel like "one dangerous mass." – For It Is Man's Number*

> *Corvus is the leader of the feral boys, driving much of the film's tension. – In Review Online*

Behind the Scenes

Montaldo describes building Corvus from a mix of rock 'n' roll icons and primal archetypes: "He's like a carnie, like a carnival barker… also a shaman." Drawing from figures such as Iggy Pop and Mick Jagger, Montaldo infused the role with a physical, almost musical rhythm. Off-camera, he embraced a "pack leader" mindset, fostering a real sense of camaraderie and loyalty among the younger cast members—a dynamic

that translated into an authentic, unsettling group presence on screen.

Impact

With *The Seeding*, Alex Montaldo cements himself as an actor capable of creating deeply atmospheric characters—roles that not only serve the story but shape its tone. His Corvus is unforgettable: a predator, a performer, and a prophet in the sands.

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