

A5425 AMERICANA (USA, 1981)

Credits: director, David Carridine ; writer, Richard Carr

Cast: David Carridine, Barbara Hershey, Michael Greene

Summary: Melodrama set in Kansas in 1973. Carradine plays an unnamed Vietnam veteran drifter who arrives in a small Kansas town and decides to rebuild a broken down merry-go-round. He overcomes initial local hostility and rekindles their pride. An allegory of the treatment of Vietnam veterans during and soon after the war.

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