

D3940 DAZED AND CONFUSED (USA, 1993)

Credits: director/writer, Richard Linklater.

Cast: Jason London, Rory Cochrane, Wiley Wiggins, Sasha Jenson, Michelle Burke.

Summary: Coming of age comedy set in small town Texas in 1976. On the night of the last day of school, future freshmen at Robert E. Lee High School are hazed by seniors of the class of '77. We follow a large number of teenagers, boys and girls, popular and not, "good" and "troubled," as they drive aimlessly around town, drink beer, hang out, trade adolescent life-truths, lust, experiment with sex, fight, and in general, try to invest their passage into adulthood with a significance it does not seem to have. The ensemble cast includes a number of up-and-comers and the sound track features classic rock music of the period selected by writer/director Linklater. Among the deleted scenes on the DVD Flashback edition is one in which three of the boys complain about the presence of Vietnamese refugees in their community and debate whether the U.S. won the war.

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