

D4380 DEFIANCE (USA, 1980)

(Other titles: Massacreure de Brooklyn; Schlaeger von Brooklyn)

Credits: director, John Flynn ; writer, Thomas Michael Donnelly.

Cast: Jan Michael Vincent, Theresa Soldana, Fernando Lopez.

Summary: Urban vigilante film set in contemporary New York City. Tommy (Vincent) is a merchant seaman (a rootless drifter and Vietnam vet) who moves into a decaying New York neighborhood while waiting for orders to ship out. He soon comes to despise the squalor and becomes the leader of a group of citizens who are resisting a neighborhood street gang called 'The Souls.' He is pushed to the breaking point and acts as a one man army to rid the neighborhood of the street gang once and for all.

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