

D4465 THE DELTA (USA, 1996)

Credits: director/writer, Ira Sachs.

Cast: Shayne Gray, Thang Chan, Rachel Zan Huss.

Summary: Melodrama set in contemporary Memphis, Tenn. Focuses on Lincoln Bloom (Gray), an affluent white 17-year-old youth, whose surface straightness is a mask for an interest in gay cruising and peep-show sex. At an all-night movie house, Lincoln meets Minh (Thang Chan), a twenty-something poor Amerasian immigrant, the son of an Afro-American soldier and a Vietnamese woman. Minh is openly gay and in love with Lincoln. They take a spur-of-the-moment trip down the Mississippi on Lincoln's father's cabin cruiser. But their romance is doomed because of the different ages, races, cultures and classes involved.

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