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The Mercenary

Hardcore Martial Arts Epic Drama

Director: Yuxiao Wan
Author: Xu Xianzhe

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Beijing Tiangiao Performing Arts Center
ABC Drama Production Company

Plot summary

In the final years of the Sui Dynasty, amid the vast deserts of the Western Regions, a solitary swordsman known as "Dao Ma" is entrusted by the mysterious Zhi Shilang with a dangerous mission: escort a young child named "Shu" to the capital city of Chang'an.

Along the way, they are hunted by imperial spies, aristocratic clans, and ruthless assassins. Torn between personal vengeance and the fate of the common people, Dao Ma fights his way through a storm of blades and blood, gradually uncovering a secret powerful enough to overthrow the dynasty itself...

This play is adapted from Xu Xianzhe's acclaimed manga *The Mercenary*. With intense action, unwavering loyalty, and the raw struggles of human nature, it brings to life the untamed Jianghu of the Sui and Tang eras—a world where honor is paid for in blood.

Notes

Running Time: 150 minutes (including one 15-minute intermission)
Recommended for ages 16 and up.

CAST

Character	Actor
Dao Ma	Hu Jun
Zhi Shilang	Zhang Zhen
Ayuya	Xin Zhilei
Shu	Peng Yuyan
Pei Xingyan	Wang Qianyuan
Shuangtou She	Wu Jing
Ensemble/Stunt Team	Jackie Chan Stunt Team

CAST BIOS

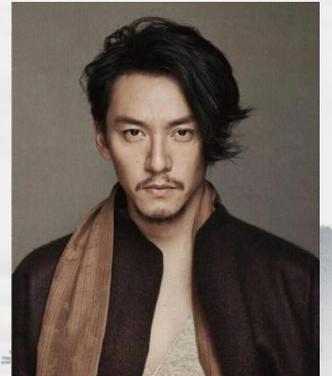
Hu Jun as Dao Ma

A lone swordsman from the desert. Known for his powerful performances in *Demi-Gods and Semi-Devils* and *Red Cliff*, Hu Jun brings raw intensity and physicality to the role, performing most of his own stunts.



Zhang Zhen as Zhi Shilang

The mysterious strategist. With a career spanning *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* and *The Grandmaster*, Zhang Zhen embodies the enigmatic wisdom of this key figure.



Xin Zhilei as Ayuya

A fierce swordswoman from the Western Regions. Xin Zhilei's roles in *Brotherhood of Blades II* and *The Candle in the Tomb* showcase her ability to portray strong, complex female characters.



CREATIVE TEAM

- **Original Author:** Xu Xianzhe — Creator of *The Mercenary* manga
- **Playwright / Director:** Yuxiao Wan — A director
- **Martial Arts Choreographer:** Yuen Woo-ping — Internationally renowned action choreographer
- **Music Director:** Zhao Liping — Acclaimed film composer
- **Set Designer:** Gao Guangjian — Set designer for the National Theatre of China
- **Lighting Designer:** Xiao Lihe — Award-winning lighting designer
- **Costume Designer:** Emi Wada — Oscar-winning costume designer
- **Sound Designer:** He Biao — Top-tier concert sound engineer

SPECIAL THANKS

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Special thanks to the Jackie Chan Stunt Team for their extraordinary contribution
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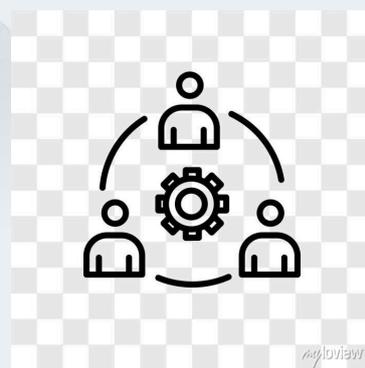
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HOUSE NOTES

- Running time: 150 minutes, including a 15-minute intermission
- Recommended for ages 16 and up
- No photography, recording, or videography during the performance
- Please silence or turn off your mobile devices
- No food or drinks inside the theater

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Producer: Wang Zhonglei
Executive Producer: Chen Zhixi
Stage Manager: Li Dong
Technical Director: Jin Li
Production Supervisor: Zhang Yimou
Publicity Director: Chen Lizhi
Ticketing Coordinator: Maoyan Entertainment
Head of Wardrobe: Zhang Shuping Team
Makeup & Hair Designer: Li Dongfian



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