

## SYNOPSIS

In this garden, snakes aren't the only secret. Peek into the world of a group of transmen in NYC navigating the journey of learning manhood, overcoming family drama, and surviving the mean streets on their way to success.

### The Jungle Has No Face

The pilot episode of "Eden.'s Garden." centers around a group of men bound by an irreversible choice: transitioning from female to male. Can CJ conquer the demons tethering him to unending cycles? Will Gino confront the truth he's afraid to acknowledge? Is Rico poised to fulfill his deepest aspirations? Can Chaz embrace his identity, shedding his former concealment?

This inaugural episode delves into the intricacies of existence through the lens of mennavigating the uncharted terrain of manhood post-transition. Amidst this transformative journey, their individual destinies are influenced by the tapestry of life that envelops them. Will they emerge as steadfast brothers or as adversaries?

The episode introduces the complexities of their lives, offering a glimpse into how their personal environments shape their paths. As they grapple with self-discovery and societal perception., their intertwined narratives unfold, leaving viewers to ponder the intertwined threads of brotherhood and discord.

Will CJ, Gino, Rico, and Chaz find common. ground amid their diverse trajectories, or will their journeys lead them. down. divergent roads? "Eden.'s Garden." marks the inception. of a gripping exploration. of identity, relationships, and the profound choices that define us.

### FACT SHEET

Genre: Drama, Suspense

> **RUNNING TIME:** 37 Minutes

DISTRIBUTED BY: SKS

WRITER/DIRECTOR: Malachi "Seven" King

Original Music: Mauri B, Johnny Boogotti

> Language: English

FILMING LOCATIONS: New York, NY

### THEMES

### **1.** Identity and Transformation

Identity and Transformation.: The pilot episode delves into the profound journey of identity transformation as the characters navigate the complexities of transitioning from. female to male. Their struggles, fears, and triumphs underscore the theme of self-discovery and personal evolution.

### **3.** Societal and Self-Perception

The characters' journeys underscore the influence of society's perceptions and expectations on their selfperception. As they transition, they must confront not only their internal struggles but also society's views on gender and identity. The characters' willingness to be vulnerable and face their fears becomes a recurring motif. Their journey towards embracing vulnerability underscores the strength it takes to be true to oneself.

### **2.** Truth and Authenticity

The characters' struggles with acknowledging their own truths and embracing their authentic selves are integral to the episode. This themeexplores the internal conflicts and the courage it takes to confront hidden aspects of one's identity. Gino's reluctance to admit the truth and Chaz's quest to embrace his genuine self highlight the journey towards authenticity.

### 4. Bonds and Brotherhood

The concept of brotherhood, both in. its supportive and adversarial forms, is central. The characters' shared experience of transitioning shapes their relationships, raising questions about unity, acceptance, and the impact of life's circumstances on their connections.



# EDEN'S ARDEN OFFICIAL TRAILER

### EDEN'S GARDEN: Pilot Episode

Embarking on a journey through a labyrinth of family dynamics and personal relationships, a group of transmen seek to express their truth while evolving into their chosen manhood.





Gino is a charismatic and manipulative fast-talker with a macho personality. His demeanor was shaped by his uncle, G Stone, a hustler from Bed Stuy, Brooklyn, whom he greatly admired. G-Stone accepted him without judgment when he confided in him his wishes to transition to a boy from a young age and even referred to him as his nephew and imparted all his knowledge about manhood to him.

Raised in a single parent household by his father, Gino finds it hard to maintain long-term relationships due to taking heavy losses early in life, first with his mother, who was a prostitute, and later, his uncle G-Stone. To escape, Gino immerses himself in pottery, a passion he pursues at night. This interest is meaningful, as it's the last memento he has from his late mother. However, Gino keeps his pottery hobby a secret, as he's primarily involved in hustling with his local gang, "The Bounty Clique," known for his ruthless tactics in extortion.

Gino's journey to become more authentically himself led him to adopt the name Gino and his connection to the streets led him to a bodybuilder who introduced him to the street market for testosterone for years. Despite rarely seeking medical attention, a health scare forces Gino to confront his. fear of disclosure, prompting him to finally seek necessary medical care.



Chaz is a charismatic charmer residing in a middle-class neighborhood in Queens, NY. He draws both positive and negative attention from everyone around him. Regrettably, Chaz occasionally engages in needless conflicts with others, often over someone else's woman whom he can't resist pursuing. Chaz exhibits a selfcentered nature, and notably, he finds himself deeply entangled in the pursuit of sex. He seeks out sex parties to fulfill his craving and works endless hours at a local store to support his habit.

Chaz comes from a two-parent household, but once he leaves the house, he transforms into a completely different identity. He changes his clothes when he leaves to symbolize a sense of freedom, as he conceals his life due to his family's Muslim background. He lost his virginity at the age of 14 with an older woman which unleashed the sexual beast within him and as a result, caused him to become very promiscuous. Chaz is presently setting aside every penny he earns to relocate from his parents' home, and he has not disclosed to them that he has undergone a physical transition.

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### CHARACTER DESCRIPTION

Pernell is an outspoken wordsmith based in Atlanta, GA who has been immersed in writing for as long as his memory serves. He doubles as a seasoned storyteller of love, utilizing his relationship with Nakia as a platform to convey openly that love is a source of pride rather than shame. Although Nakia was his girlfriend before his transition, their connection only grew stronger during and after the transition process. Sharing a living space, they also engage in activism within the black queer community, particularly as dedicated volunteers at the local clinic. Their unbreakable bond garners attention and occasionally jealousy within the trans community, where such steadfast connections are less common.

Desiring to expand their family, both Perry and Nakia are eager to have a baby. Yet, the path to family planning introduces a gamut of emotions. Despite the challenges, their determination to embrace their true desires and nurture a family remains unshaken, demonstrating how love triumphs over adversity. Rising above biased sentiments from her side of the family, Perry and Nakia contemplate the possibility of moving from Atlanta, Georgia to a location where they can live without the weight of societal judgments and prejudice. However, an unforeseen life-altering event leaves them in a state of uncertainty, halting their plans for relocation.



Rico is a nerd who loves science and hopes to invent the first bottom surgery that is not as gruesome and hurtful as it currently is. He looks up to the many transmasculine men who are activists and aspires to be like them one day.

Rico is also a breast cancer advocate, as his mother is battling cancer. He and his mother are so closely attached that it annoys people interested in dating Rico. Rico is the ultimate mama's boy, and his passion lies in quirky, nerdy, scientific activities.





CJ is a street-smart survivor who adapts to his challenging surroundings. Born and raised in a harsh environment, he's become a rival to Gino. CJ's way of making ends meet involves engaging in boosting and other schemes to earn a quick buck. However, beneath his tough exterior, CJ grapples with deep-seated insecurities and masks them with a veneer of toxic masculinity. Disturbingly, he directs his energy towards deliberately breaking down trans men within his community.

He's an active member of the "Diamondback 53rd St" gang, representing his affiliation from the local projects. The absence of his parents has left him in constant emotional turmoil, and unfortunately, his pain radiates to those who care about him. Amidst all this, CJ contends with mental health challenges, and this struggle drives him to harbor a vindictive desire for revenge against anyone he perceives as more attractive or confident than him.

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THE **OFFICIAL STORY LINE** FOR **EDEN'S GARDEN** VASING ANTER MANY YEARS OF BUILDING UP

### 2023

THE COMPLETION OF THE INDEPENDENT SERIES THAT TOOK 8 YEARS TO GET TO A POINT OF SATISFACTION. THE FINAL INDEPENDENT PRESENTATION UNTIL DESTINY TAKES IT'S COURSE.



### THE DIRECTOR

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Driven by an unwavering passion and intimate understanding, I embarked on directing "Eden's Garden," a trailblazing narrative centered on the experiences of trans men. With a profound connection to this journey, I chose to lead by example, meticulously nurturing this endeavor for over eight years, from its modest origins on YouTube to gaining immediate virality and nationwide recognition.

When envisioning this project, my goal was to offer viewers a profound understanding of the emotional and mental journey faced by those transitioning from assigned female at birth to their true manhood.

Through this film, I aimed to challenge preconceptions, showcasing diverse transition paths and fostering empathy. My aspiration is for this work to resonate universally, dismantling stereotypes and promoting comprehension within our collective human experience.

I stand as an advocate for my actors, and my directorial ambitions have flourished with time. The potential embrace of this project stands to reshape my future creative contributions to the world. This journey has nurtured personal growth, fostering profound self-acceptance that celebrates my unapologetic self.

~Malachi "Seven" King



### THE DIRECTOR

DIRECTOR'S BIO

*Every project reinvigorates my passion to learn more of the craft of filmmaking and directing - it's truly my passion to bring visions to life!*  Malachi King, known as Seven, stands as the visionary force behind The Nile Creatives and Seven King Studios. With a lineage rooted in the legendary hip-hop ensemble Grandmaster Flash & the Furious Five—his father's legacy—Seven effortlessly embraces the entertainment realm. Opting to forge his distinct path to greatness, he emerged as a film director, producer, author, screenwriter, motivational speaker, and a steadfast advocate for the trans community.

Malachi's educational journey led him to Clark Atlanta University, where he adeptly mastered various hands-on programs within Mass Media, ultimately ascending to the role of Mass Media Department President. Amidst these formative years, he lensed music videos for fellow students, igniting his creative spark and birthing engaging vlogs. This initial foray gradually evolved, culminating in the inception of his own short films and the groundbreaking web series, "Eden's Garden." This audacious creation garnered immense traction, amassing over 2 million YouTube views and propelling him into the spotlight—earning recognition as one of Ryan Murphy's top emerging directors, affording him the coveted opportunity to shadow the prolific creator on set.

Presently, Malachi's production company thrives, a crucible for diverse visual arts encompassing feature films, web series, dynamic social media content, and evocative documentaries. His unwavering mission revolves around imbuing narratives with visceral impact, transcending mere sight to evoke profound emotional resonance.

This burgeoning luminary has already etched an indelible mark upon his community, poised for an even more remarkable trajectory. Anticipate a wealth of forthcoming endeavors from Seven King Productions, a revitalized incarnation of his viral sensation, "Eden's Garden," poised for an exciting resurgence in the summer of 2023.







### WHY PICK THIS SHOW UP?

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This compelling series, poised for a national platform, presents a unique opportunity to challenge and dispel transgender stereotypes, offering an intimate window into this life-altering journey. Set against the backdrop of relatable narratives that showcase the triumph over internal struggles, unwavering convictions, and the ceaseless pursuit of survival in contemporary America, the show stands as a beacon of authenticity. Its lens focuses on the personal odyssey of a black man who emerged from an assigned female identity.

Within this narrative, our characters seize the reins of their destiny, penning an untold saga. Yet, the path they tread delves deeper than mere appearances. Consider the intricate tapestry of challenges encompassing name changes, familial perspectives, romantic entanglements, cultural assimilation, political engagement, and the universal tapestry of everyday experiences. Penned by a writer intimately familiar with these realities, the series thrives on genuine passion, propelling us into bold and daring territories.

Distinguished as a scripted series exclusively dedicated to the transformative stories of trans men, it stands as a testament to diversity. Casting a wide net, the ensemble comprises individuals from myriad backgrounds and walks of life. Established in 2015, weathering numerous iterations and evolutions, our journey mirrors the struggles of independent artists—juggling life's demands while fervently pursuing dreams. Unswerving focus and steadfast faith have brought us to this pivotal juncture. Today, we stand poised to secure television and streaming slots, primed to ignite profound conversations, deliver entertainment, and stir transformative change across the spectrum of human experiences.

Recognizing our shared humanity, this series is primed to resonate universally, navigating the road toward happiness. Brimming with readiness, it eagerly anticipates traversing global screens, gracing esteemed film festivals, and commanding pivotal discussions through significant deals. It's time to translate intention into reality!

At Seven King Studios, we thrive on blazing unconventional trails championing groundbreaking content, embracing revolution, courage, and transparency. We are acutely aware that art is a mirror reflecting society; thus, this creation mirrors the voices and experiences of millions. We extend our heartfelt gratitude for any form of support you can extend.

Together, let's turn possibility into actuality.



### PRESS & MEDIA

Eden's Garden shines a light on men of trans experience

INTERVIEW WITH WRITER AND DIRECTOR SEVEN KING BY EBONY MAGAZINE

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WRITER AND PRODUCER SEVEN KING DISCUSSES HIS GROUNDBREAKING SHOW EDEN'S GARDEN, POISED TO BE THE FIRST SCRIPTED WEB SERIES ABOUT TRANS MEN OF COLOR. THE ADVOCATE

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# EDEN'S

### CREDITS

WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY Malachi "Seven" King

### STARRING

Amauri Garraway Tarjee Williams Barrie Brooks Cess Jones Tyrell Lowery

### MUSIC BY

Mauri B Johnny Boogotti & Many More







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