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# RYAN COOGLER



## Who is Ryan Coogler?

Ryan Kyle Coogler is an American filmmaker, screenwriter, and producer, born on May 23, 1986, in Oakland, California.

He began with more independent films and later directed major productions, including Creed, Black Panther, and Black Panther: Wakanda Forever.

Some of his works are culturally very significant and also received notable recognition at award ceremonies.



## 1 - Some of his works:

### Black Panther

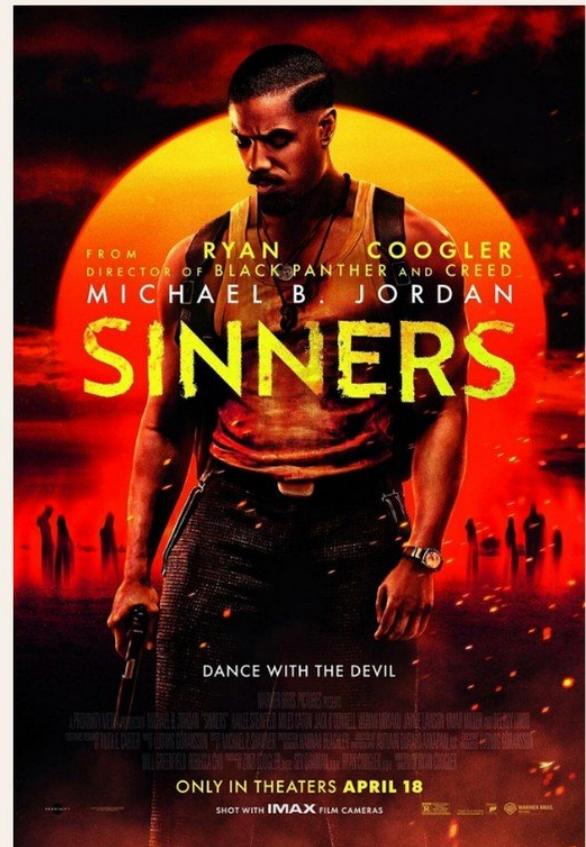


Ryan Coogler served as the director and co-writer of Black Panther, bringing a unique creative vision that blended African cultural influences, Afrofuturism, and superhero storytelling.

His approach emphasized emotional depth, complex characters, and themes of identity, heritage, and social responsibility.

## 2 - Some of his works: Sinners

Ryan Coogler wrote and directed Sinners, a supernatural. The film stars Michael B. Jordan in a dual role as twin brothers, Smoke and Stack, who return to their troubled hometown to start anew — only to find a dark, evil force lurking in the shadows.



Coogler blends horror, mythology, and the history of Black music, particularly the blues, to create a deeply atmospheric and emotionally powerful story.



## Ryan Coogler's awards

According to the awards listed throughout his career, Coogler has earned dozens of wins and dozens of nominations — reflecting both his talent in independent cinema and his success with blockbusters.

Although he has not yet won an Oscar personally, his films and cinematic collaborations have achieved important awards, making him a reference in representation and excellence in contemporary filmmaking.



## Ryan Coogler's short films

Ryan Coogler began his career directing short films that already showcased his strong sense of social awareness and emotional storytelling. Works like “Locks” (2009) and “Fig” (2011) explore themes of race, hardship, and everyday life in marginalized communities.

He also directed “The Sculptor” (2011), a more intimate story about loss and artistic expression. These shorts earned him early recognition in film festivals and helped establish the foundation for his later success as a feature-film director.



## Ryan Coogler's childhood

Ryan Coogler grew up in Oakland, California, in a supportive family and a community that strongly shaped his worldview. As a kid, he loved sports and storytelling, and these early experiences influenced the emotional and socially aware films he would later create.

