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Chris Paine

Writer and Director of “Who Killed the Electric Car?”

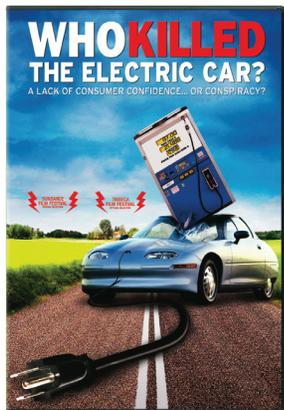
Chris Paine’s “Who Killed the Electric Car?” premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in 2006. The documentary, which detailed the demise of General Motors’ EV-1 electric vehicles and the behind-the-scenes politics, went on to win numerous awards and was the third highest-grossing theatrical documentary that year.

Previously, Paine executive produced “Faster” with Ewan McGregor about the world’s fastest motorcycle race, and “No Maps For These Territories” about science fiction writer William Gibson. He also produced for the MTV series “BUZZ” and assisted writer Michael Tolkin on the feature film “The Player.” Television appearances include “The Daily Show with Jon Stewart” (2006) and “Nightline” (2009).

His current film projects include “Charge!” about the world’s first electric motorcycle race (2010) and “Revenge of the Electric Car” (2011).

Paine is also the founder of Internet Outfitters, which went public as AppNet in 1999. His previous company, Mondo-tronics, provided materials for the Mars Pathfinder mission. More recently, he purchased and remodeled “The Marrakesh House,” a green events residence in Los Angeles.

Paine studied documentaries with Jon Else at Stanford University and theater with Sanford Meisner. He received a degree in international relations from Colgate University, and currently lives in Los Angeles.



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Introduction

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