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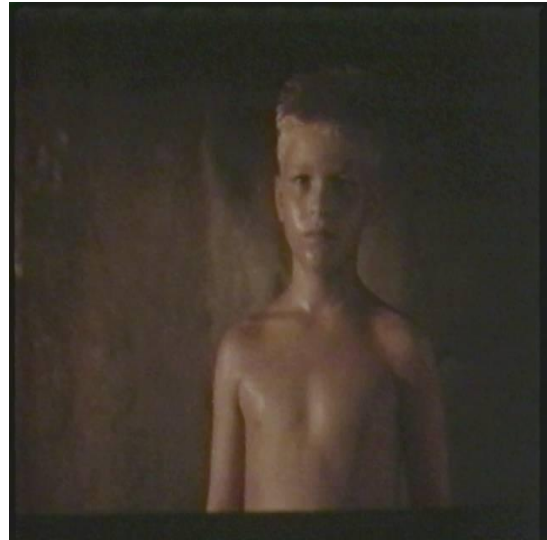
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Born: Italy

In the title role of the 1994 film, he plays Acla, a boy sold into bonded labour alongside his father and elder brothers in Italy's Floristella sulphur mines during the 1930s. There, aside from the usual maltreatment and hard labour, Acla is haunted by the daily dread of summary rape by his supervisors, and eventually runs away, to his family's cost. The film, so far as I'm aware, has never been seen in the UK, though it is available on video in the States.



All stills shown – source: **Movieboys** website



The squalid working conditions of the Floristella mines expose the boys to more dangers than sulphur poisoning and arbitrary floggings.

FILMOGRAPHY

Year	Age	Title	Role
94		LA DISCESA DI ACLA A FLORISTELLA  ("Acla's Descent into Floristella")	in title role, Acla