

Magnus & Charles, The Musical
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FADE IN:

EXT. NAZI OCCUPIED POLAND - DAY

The sky is gray, as is the atmosphere.

Hundreds of Jewish people are being herded onto trucks.
Those who resist are shot dead on the spot.

Families are separated. Lone children cry out for mothers
gone.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Born a humble Jew,
Into a world of discrimination,
A hated race of mortals,
Longing for validation.

MAGNUS, 7 years old, his eyes full of fear, stands rigid
between his parents, clutching at their arms.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

The year was 1940,
And he was but a scamp,
He spent his seventh birthday,
In a concentration camp.

Nazi soldiers push Magnus aside and grab his mother.

His father fights back, but is shot down.

His mother screams and tries to grab her son, but the
soldiers shoot her dead at his feet.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

His family they were shot,
Before his weeping eyes,
He swore a life of vengeance,
These horrors he could not deny.

Magnus screams, hurting the ears of all around.

We ZOOM IN to his screaming mouth, then ZOOM OUT. Magnus has
transformed into a man.

All nearby vehicles rise up into the air and crumple like aluminium cans.

People panic and run.

MAGNUS

Power!
Magnetism!
Born anew am I!

A group of Nazi soldiers surround Magnus, their guns pointed.

NAZI SOLDIER

Who is this man?!

MAGNUS

Magneto is my name!
Villains prepare to die!

He turns the soldiers guns on their owners, cutting them to shreds in a shower of bullets.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

His hands...
Red with the blood of countless
men.

Magnus holds up his bright red hands.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

His homeland he did flee,
Never to return again.

A map of Israel. Focus on the city of Haifa.

EXT. HOSPITAL GROUNDS - DAY

Magnus stands in the grounds of a hospital for victims of the holocaust.

MAGNUS

Haifa,
Israel,
A volunteer I shall be.

A young man in a wheelchair nears.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

A curious fellow approaches...

CHARLES

Hello sir who art thee?
CHARLES XAVIER is my name,
I hail from New York City,
I come in search of hope --

MAGNUS

Oh my what a pity!
There is no hope to be found here,
Only victims as you'll see.
The holocaust did ruin them,
As it has done me...

Charles looks into Magnus's mind and sees flashes of his painful past.

CHARLES

But help them we can good sir,
If only you believe.

MAGNUS

You're optimism is admirable
friend,
I extend my hand to thee.

They shake hands firmly.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

And so it was their friendship
grew,
And allies they became.

MONTAGE OF THE TWO MEN TALKING, LAUGHING, AND TREATING THE
HOLOCAUST VICTIMS

NARRATOR (V.O.)

All the while keeping secret,
The powers they both contained.

EXT. HOSPITAL GROUNDS - DAY

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Then came the inevitable,
During battle with an evil foe...

Charles and Magnus strike down a defeated super villain.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Charles and Magnus were mutants,
Brothers in forlorn woe.

CHARLES

Magnus my friend,
We are one and the same --

MAGNUS

Silence fool,
You know not my pain!

CHARLES

Magnus I beseech you,
Abandon this life of hatred.

MAGNUS

I can't,
I won't,
You don't know what it means,
To be hunted,
To be hated,
To be loathed and segregated!

CHARLES

We share a common burden,
But more of our kind exist --

MAGNUS

Exist?! Ha!
Hiding in fear more like!
Now is the time for our kinfolk,
To band together and fight!

CHARLES

The humans are merely ignorant,
For this we must not condemn.

MAGNUS

Your hopes and beliefs are folly,
WE are the future Charles,
Not them!

CHARLES

Violence is not the answer Magnus,
Diplomacy is key.
Together we'll win them over.
Please my friend... trust me.

MAGNUS

War is the one true answer,
To win them over by force!

CHARLES

It saddens me to hear this,
Your methods I cannot endorse.

MAGNUS

I have witnessed atrocities,
The likes you cannot imagine.

CHARLES

Then why do you seek to take a
road,
That would only repeat that
pattern?

MAGNUS

Anger is all I know Charles,
Call it kismet,
Call it fate.

CHARLES

Take heed dear Magnus,
For the path of fire you take,
Is surely destined to turn you,
Into that which you most hate,

MAGNUS

The lines have now been drawn
Xavier.
You and I must part.

CHARLES

Give me one more chance my brother,
To try and mend your heart.

MAGNUS

Save your sympathy for the humans,
They need it more than I.

Magnus turns his back on Charles.

MAGNUS

And now I bid you farewell foolish
Charles...
A sincere and solemn goodbye.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Charles and Magnus did part ways
that day,
For allies they could not be.

EXT. OUTER SPACE

A fortified complex built into a small asteroid, floats
through space.

INT. ASTEROID M - MAGNUS'S QUARTERS

The room is dark, only Magnus is visible. He wears his
uniform for the first time.

He looks down at the Earth.

MAGNUS

The righteous Charles Xavier,
Could not quell the rage in me.

He puts on his helmet.

Split screen with -

EXT. CENTRAL PARK - DAY

Charles sits alone, looking up at the sky.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Two men,
Two paths,
One of love,
The other of wrath.
Pick a side,
And stand true,
For the day might come,
When you'll have to chose.

FADE TO BLACK.

THE END.