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It was the worst kind of war. Not at all what they had imagined. They were six young men among fifteen thousand, forced to suffer the ignominy of surrender and the helplessness of incarceration in this notorious WWII Japanese prison camp...this hell on earth called 'Changi'.

Over the next three and a half years Gordon, Curley, Eddie, Bill, David and Tom would form a special friendship - a bond that could only be forged under such extremes of mental and physical torment.

Though they would lose almost everything that was important to them, they would survive. And they would do so through the most unlikely means imaginable - laughter. Their ability to turn humour into a force as palpable as any weapon would bewilder and ultimately defeat their captors.

Each episode of 'Changi' tells one of their stories - not just of their time together in the camp - but their life story. Through extraordinary casting that pairs up some of Australia's finest young actors with industry veterans, we see these young soldiers as the old men they become - matured yet still defiant and, in different ways, forever affected by their common wartime experience.

With its sudden shifts from past to present, from light-hearted camaraderie to moments of surreal terror, from intense reality to dreamy fantasy, 'Changi' is a unique and moving drama that captures the horror of war, the pain of memory and the power of laughter.

**Crew**

Writer - John Doyle  
Producer - Bill Hughes  
Director - Kate Woods  
Director of Photography - Joseph H. Pickering  
Original Music - Mario Millo  
Executive Producer - Tim Pye

**Cast**

Stephen Curry - Eddie  
Leon Ford - Bill  
Anthony Hayes - Gordon  
Matthew Newton - David  
Mark Priestley - Curley  
Matthew Whittet - Tom

**Duration**

6x1 Hour

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