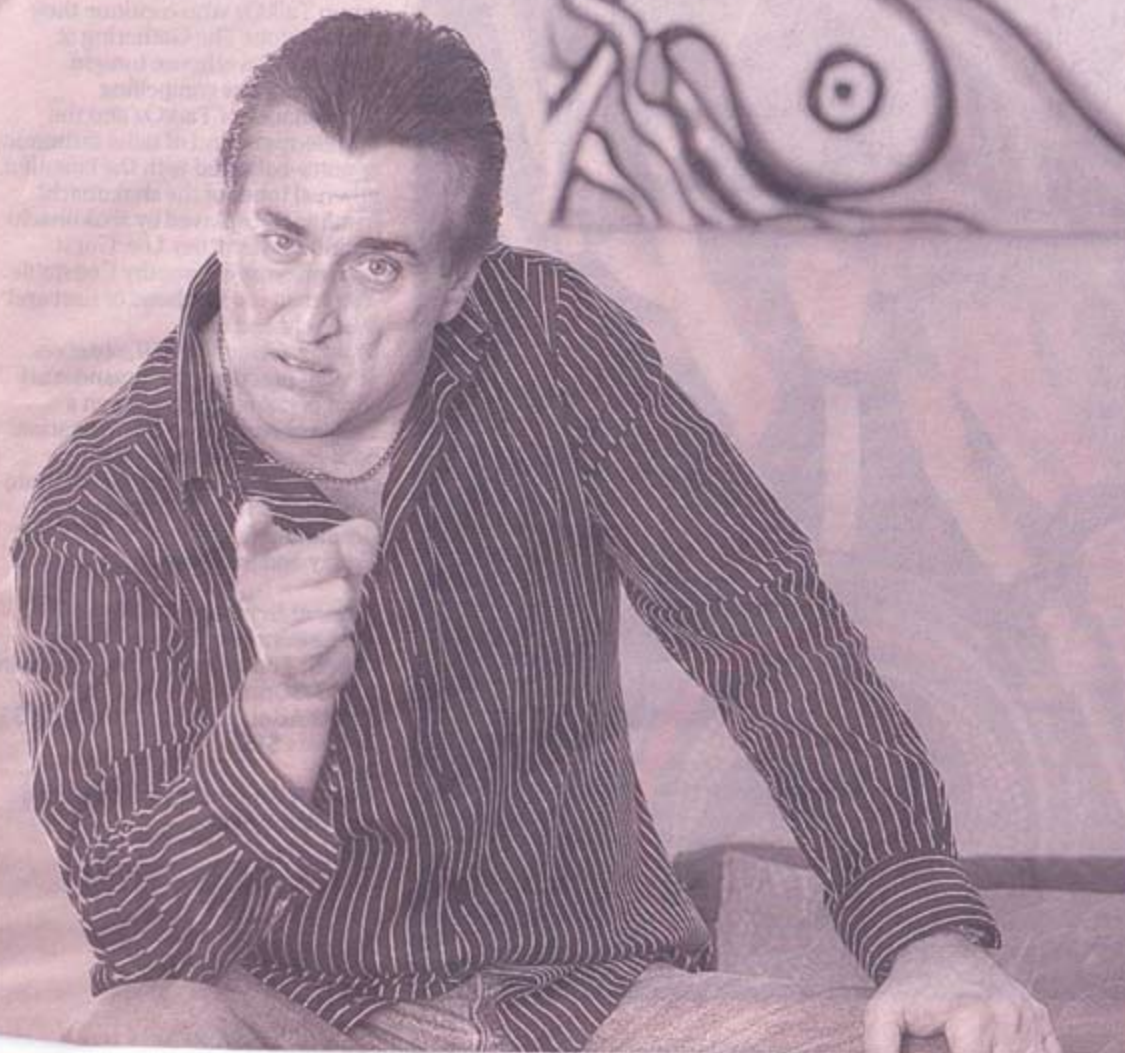


Ray ready to rough it again



ACTOR Ray Sinclair has no delusions about his star quality.

The stereotypical tough guy told Confidential he was happy with his lot, though.

"I'm not generally going to play the romantic lead, you might say," Sinclair, left said. "I'm six foot three (190cm), and weigh 100-odd kilos."

Already this year, Sinclair has played tough detective Dwayne Miller in the Queensland-produced thriller *Sleeper*, directed by fellow Brisbanite **Dru Brown** and starring World Wrestling Entertainment veteran **Scott "Raven" Levy**.

Next month he'll head to Rockhampton to begin shooting scenes for another feature film, *Sharkmen*, where he'll be playing a heavy — hitman, **Thresher Barnes**.

Like *Sleeper*, *Sharkmen's* crew and cast feature a bevy of Queensland talent, including director **Jason Gibson** from Rocky and Brisbane actor **Rob Jenkins**.

Sinclair said he was thrilled to be involved in two locally made productions in such a short period of time.

"It's pretty rare to do two feature films (in Queensland) in one year, that's for sure," he said.

Despite Queensland-based productions being few and far between, Sinclair said he had no intentions of heading south to Sydney or Melbourne.

He said the internet had revolutionised the way actors got work, with casting directors now able to contact talent from across the nation.

"It's easy enough to just jump on a plane and head to Sydney," Sinclair said.

"I don't think there is the same kind of need as there used to be to move down to Sydney or Melbourne."