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After his release, Mr. Downey's troubles continued, and by 2003 he was considered uninsurable as an actor and had difficulty finding work. But one day that year, he Times, he threw all his drugs into the ocean and decided he was done.

Robert Downey Jr. with his lawyer Robert Shapiro during his sentencing in Municipal Court in Malibu, Calif., in 1999. Credit... Nick Ut/Associated Press

The pardon does not erase his record, but it does allow him to serve on a jury. The Los Angeles Times was the first to report Mr. Downey's pardon.

Mr. Downey submitted a certificate of rehabilitation from a judge earlier this year. The certificate said that Mr. Downey "has lived an honest and upright life, exhibited g conducted himself as a law-abiding citizen," according to the pardon .

Before the pardon was granted Thursday, Mr. Downey tweeted : "You're only on the naughty list if you get caught..."

In April, Mr. Downey walked out a British television interview after the questions turned to his problems with drugs and alcohol. He also deflected questions about his Carr.

"If I see somebody who is throwing their life away with both hands and is raging around and destroying their family, I can't understand that person," he said. "I'm not ir

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Greenwich Village, NYC, 1970

Robert was five years old when he starred in his first film, *Pound (1970)* By age six, he was sipping white wine and smoking marijuana at home, encouraged by his fa addict. It was the only kind of childhood love he understood.

"When my dad and I would do drugs together, it was like him trying to express his love for me in the only way he knew how," Downey explained in an interview publisl

The Downeys and drugs

Drugs were always lying around the family home in Greenwich Village, a bohemian enclave in Manhattan. Downey was born in 1965 into an artistic family. His father garde filmmaker at a time when underground counterculture movies and theater were thriving. His mother, actress Elsie Downey, once Bob Sr.'s muse, was dealing alcohol addiction that would eventually lead to his parents' divorce in 1978. Robert Downey Jr. quit high school at 16 and found fame in Hollywood

Robert Downey Jr., high school drop-out

Robert idolized his father. "I remember walking around the Village, with my dad wearing a Superman shirt," Downey Jr. recalled in *Vanity Fair*. "We also had a prop k sit in... He was a big guy, tall, dark, handsome - all that stuff." "I mean, I grew up with people saying, 'Hey, that's Bob Downey's kid' - and understandably so... He was filmmaker." Robert learned the trade on his father's film sets and moved to Santa Monica, California to live with Bob Sr. after the divorce. Sean Penn, Rob Lowe, and school contemporaries, but Robert dropped out at 16 to pursue acting full time. By the time he was living with then-girlfriend Sarah Jessica Parker , he was making a and jetting between New York and Los Angeles. Downey was referred to as one of the 'Brat Pack', the young, Hollywood elite who included Ally Sheedy, Demi Moore members.

Hollywood, 1987

Downey's addiction was starting to affect his performance Things ratcheted up during the filming of *Less Than Zero (1987)* where he played a drug addict. "For me, th Christmas Future. The character was an exaggeration of myself. Then things changed and, in some ways, I became an exaggeration of the character. That lasted far told *The Guardian*.

There were times when he had to be revived from a 'near-coma' to film his scenes. "Back then, when I was a kid, doing that, you could say that it was 'fun', but it was He was still turning in stellar performances, however, earning an Academy Award nomination for his lead in *Chaplin* and winning Britain's BAFTA award.

Falling off the barstool, 1995

Robert added heroin and cocaine to his repertoire and his relationship with Sarah Jessica Parker fizzled. By the time he filmed the Jodie Foster-directed *Home For Tr* out of control Foster shut down production temporarily and sat down for a heart-to-heart. "And I said, 'So far, you are on a barstool, and you have managed to not fall you're going to find a way to prop yourself up, whatever toothpicks it takes to prop yourself up. But I'm afraid for you. And now may not be the time, but I am afraid for wasn't ready to say goodbye to *Huffington Post*. drugs tests. When he appeared in court again in 1999, Downey was just yet, however. Downey was speeding dowr when he was arrested for possession of heroin, cocaine, and an unloaded .357 Magnum pistol. A month later, still on parole, he trespassed into a neighbor's home wl child's bedroom. California's judges were losing patience. He'd breached probation three times by failing to submit drugsentenced to three years in prison . Still, it was before a judge. In 2001, he was given probation and went into rehab.

Downey's turnaround, 2003

Susan Levin wasn't really interested when she met Robert on the set of the 2003 film Gothika, she told Harper's Bazaar.

The Hollywood producer soon warmed to him, but her love apparently came with an ultimatum: give up the drugs or lose her. The edict seemed to have worked. They together. Robert said he stayed sober with 12-step programs, yoga, meditation, and therapy but when he announced to Hollywood that he was drug-free and ready to was almost impossible to get insurance for a convicted drug so Downey could star in 2003's addict to work on a movie. Famously, Mel Gibson paid a liability insuranc From there, he inched back into the mainstream with movies like *Zodiac*.

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There have also been moments of calm and community service, however. Robert serves on the board of the Anti-Recidivism Coalition, which helps provide support a hoping to inspire others to turn their lives around as he's done. He's also contributed to charities too numerous to mention, including the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Lately, he's channeling his energy toward helping the environment. Downey has opened The Footprint Coalition, an organization that aims to reduce carbon footprints invested \$10m of his own money into the Coalition, which promotes technologies and companies that protect the environment such as French insect-farming startup ' innovation tied to sustainable farming and agriculture technology: "It is one of the biggest issues...there is no excuse for us not being able to feed the hungry." Downey and alcohol abuse behind him. As Iron Man would say: "My armor was never a distraction or a hobby, it was a cocoon, and now I'm a changed man."

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"I helped them understand how great he was for the role," Maisel said in 2022. "We all had confidence that he was clean and would stay clean."

Downey's casting as "Iron Man" and the global box office success of the Marvel Cinematic Universe that launched in its wake rehabilitated his image in Hollywood. Gi returned to its peak following his 2006 arrest. And yet, he continued to act and direct movies. His 2016 war drama "Hacksaw Ridge" earned him an Oscar nomination Head over to Esquire's website to read Downey's cover story in its entirety.

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Rob Lowe told Page Six he always thought he would be the first one in his high school to win an Oscar – but he's delighted that it's his old pal, Downey Jr. Alamy Sto Back in 1999, Downey Jr. — RDJ to his friends — was sentenced to three years in prison amid his lengthy struggle with drugs.

He had only a "very small" group who continued to believe in him — including his childhood pal Rob Lowe.

Lowe told Page Six this week, "I always thought I was going to be the first person in my Santa Monica history class to win an Oscar, turns out it's going to be Downey "And I couldn't be happier."

Downey Jr. plays Lewis Strauss in "Oppenheimer," which is nominated for 13 Oscars Sunday night. ©Universal/Courtesy Everett Collection

The actor stars with Cillian Murphy as J. Robert Oppenheimer. Both men are favorites to win an Oscar. ©Universal/Courtesy Everett Collection

Downey, now 58, has been sober for years and has been exceedingly open about his past troubles. Last June, he told Dax Shepard that prison was like "being sent to way home until the planets align."

He first found fame in 1980s hits including "Weird Science" and "The Pick-up Artist" and dated Sarah Jessica Parker. But after he was Oscar-nominated for "Chaplin" fall.

A source who has known Downey for decades, told Page Six, "Downey's road to sobriety was a rocky one.

The Hollywood star appeared in court in an orange jump suit and shackles in August 1999. He was sentenced to 15 months in state prison for drugs offenses. AP The actor is seen being taken into custody after being charged with possession of cocaine and speed in a Malibu courtroom in December 1997. Getty Images "Not a lot of people stood by his side, it was a very small group, that's just the reality. It was a couple of dear friends."

It is, indeed, a true Hollywood story. "They love to put you up at the top to knock the s-t out of you and watch you crawl back up and give you a nice little entryway to redemption," the source said.

The actor was first arrested in 1996 for possession of heroin, cocaine and an unloaded .357-caliber Magnum, given three years of probation and required to undergo Sentenced to three years, he was released early after a year, only to be rearrested months later. ABACA/Shutterstock

The one-time teen heartthrob sits in a courtroom in July 2001 as he pleads no contest to one felony count of possessing cocaine and one misdemeanor count of bein controlled substance. A third count was dropped. AP

A year later, Downey skipped a drug test and spent nearly four months in the Los Angeles County jail. His first wife, Deborah Falconer left him.

After missing another drug test, he was sentenced to three years of prison in August 1999. He served much of the next year in state prison in Corcoran, Calif.

When asked if he had been sexually assaulted while locked up he told Vanity Fair in 2000 that it was "perfectly respectable, to some, to partner up with another inmat

Downey Jr. wed film producer Susan Levin in a star-studded ceremony in the Hamptons in August 2005 and the couple have two young children. AP "Sex and the City" star Sarah Jessica Parker dated Downey Jr. for years – but they broke up over his drug addiction. Sygma via Getty Images

During another interview, he said, "I can neither confirm it nor deny it," before finally denying any assault.

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One of the more disturbing incidents before his incarceration involved an intoxicated Downey wandering into a neighbor's house and passing out in a bed.

Downey Jr. got his first Oscar nomination for playing Charlie Chaplin in "Chaplin" in 1993. ©TriStar Pictures/Courtesy Everett Collection

Although his career was going from strength to strength, Downey Jr. found himself in prison after battling drug addiction. ©TriStar Pictures/Courtesy Everett Collection The actor won his second Oscar nomination for "Tropic Thunder" in 2009. ©DreamWorks/Courtesy Everett Collection

He told Shepard, "I'm gonna try to give you the flashcards: I'm in court, I'm being over-sentenced by an angry judge, and at some point he said something in Latin. I the me."

Although being jailed was one of the "worst" things that had happened to him, Downey said he adjusted after two weeks inside.

"As long as you have a willingness to do harm, it is unlikely that you will be targeted. It really is that thing of what is the difference between acting like you're willing to harm " he said

Mel Gibson came to Downey Jr.'s rescue when he was virtually uninsurable in Hollywood – and gave him his role in "The Singing Detective" in 2003. ©Paramount/Co Downey Jr. praised Gibson for saving him – and asked Hollywood to forgive his friend for his antisemitism scandal. ©Paramount Classics/Courtesy Everett Collection He even crossed paths with "Will & Grace" actor Leslie Jordan, who was jailed for drunk driving offenses in 2000. The pair had to swap beds and Jordan – who died i would always have, "152, Pod A, Cell 13, top bunk."

He was released early in August 2000, but on Thanksgiving weekend he was again arrested for alleged cocaine and Valium possession and being under the influence time.

Finally, he was arrested on drugs charges in April 2001 after Los Angeles police found him in an alleyway. That led to him being fired from TV hit "Ally McBeal" — but Downey Jr. has won all the big awards for his role in "Oppenheimer" – including the best supporting actor award at the Critics Choice Awards in January. Getty Image Before Downey met his second wife, film producer Susan Levin, whom he calls his "bedrock, touchstone and lucky stars," he relied on friends including his former age and Mel Gibson, who hired him on "The Singing Detective" in 2003.

The pair had co-starred together in 1990's "Air America" and during an American Cinematheque ceremony in Los Angeles in 2012, Downey revealed, "I couldn't get h movie that was actually developed for him. And he kept food on the table."

Downey then stood by Gibson when he became a Hollywood outcast in 2006 when he told a police officer "Jews are responsible for all the wars in the world" following Downey Jr. accepted a Golden Globe for "Oppenheimer" in January. Golden Globes 2024 via Getty Images

He urged his colleagues to forgive his pal, saying, "Unless you're completely without sin," before joking, "In which case you picked the wrong f-king industry."

He found blockbuster success with 2008's "Iron Man," playing superhero Tony Stark. It made \$100.8 million in its opening weekend and has spawned a \$5 billion Mar make millions more in Guy Ritchie's "Sherlock Holmes" movies.

The Downey source said, "I don't think Downey will be emotional at the Oscars, I'll tell you what was more emotional — the opening weekend going into 'Iron Man.'" Downey Jr. calls his wife, Susan Levin, his "bedrock, touchstone and lucky stars." The couple are seen at the SAG Awards in February. Chad Salvador/Shutterstock f "But you've got to be careful when opportunity knocks, addicts don't always embrace that. Downey has a lot of people trying to make money off him, he's a commodity

to feed a lot of mouths and a lot of studios will come running at you. And these guys are never satisfied.

"They will stay away from you if you're not hot — it's the entertainment business, business is the key word."

In 2009, he was nominated for best supporting actor Oscar for "Tropic Thunder," and did not even campaign.

Downey Jr. beams alongside his oldest son, Indio Downey, at an AFI Fest screening in Hollywood in 2022. FilmMagic

Downey Jr. shares son Exton, 12, and daughter Avri, 9, with Susan. Instagram/ Robert Downey Jr. Avri Downey smiles while dug in the sand. Instagram/ Robert Downey Jr.

Heath Ledger posthumously won the award for his portrayal as the Joker in Christopher Nolan's "The Dark Knight." Nolan also directed "Oppenheimer."

As for his personal life, Downey, who has a 30-year-old son named Indio with Falconer, wed Susan in a star-studded wedding in the Hamptons in 2005, featuring perf The couple share son Exton, 12, and daughter Avri, 9.

"Susan is his blessing," said the Downey source.

Downey has so far won a Golden Globe, a SAG award and a BAFTA for "Oppenheimer," giving a string of pithy speeches.

The star appears in a mugshot following his arrest at the Merv Griffin Resort in Palm Springs, CA. for drug possession in November 2000. Getty Images

When he won the Critics Choice award, he quoted from several unflattering critiques of his work. He described one as a haiku: "sloppy, messy and lazy."

Another compared his performance to "Pee Wee Herman emerging from a coma." Downey also quoted a British critic who called him "a puzzling waste of talent." One final review Downey said, "lingered," when a critic wrote that he was as "amusing as a bedlocked fart."

Robert Downey Jr. proudly poses with wife, Susan, at the BAFTAs in London in February. Samir Hussein/Wirelmage

Downey Jr. and his wife, Susan, attend the Oscars nominee luncheon in Beverly Hills last month. AFP via Getty Images

"He's very fun, very irreverent, that's how his brain works," added the Downey source, "He's pretty much the smartest guy in the room.

"It's nice when you can make choices on what jobs to take...That's when you know you've won."

After all, the source added, "He's adorable - you can't not love the guy."

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Downey Jr. invests in Aura, joins Board of Directors and will embark on a multi-year journey as a brand advocate and strategist

BOSTON , March 9, 2023 /PRNewswire/ -- Aura, the leader in intelligent safety for consumers, today announced a multi-year partnership with Robert Downey Jr. Thr joins Aura's Board of Directors, invests in the company and commits to working with Aura as a strategist and brand advocate, supporting consumer education. Ahead <u>session</u> at Austin's South by Southwest [®] (SXSW [®], Aura and Downey Jr. premiered a) conference on March 11 video titled "Role of a Lifetime," which articulates th Continue Reading

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"Honestly, the exponential growth of online crime, just in the last several years, is truly terrifying," said Robert Downey Jr. "It requires an innovative solution to protect joining Hari and his team at Aura to tackle the crisis head-on."

As technology grows more complex, the rate of digital crime has rapidly increased. According to the <u>FBI</u>, American families lost \$6.9 Billion had their identities stolen Aura's easy-to-use online safety app proactively protects individuals and families from scams, fraud, hacks, identity theft and more. to online crime in 2021, a 50% inc prior. Online criminals are targeting the entire family. Nearly one million children

"Online criminals are getting smarter and the only way to stay a step ahead of attackers is to use intelligent safety technologies," said Hari Ravichandran , founder & (security has required a lot of attention and maintenance. But, I strongly believe that these tools should reduce the burden of defense for users. With Aura, we've bake so that we can prevent attacks, enabling families to fight back against digital crime for the first time."

Aura additionally announced the launch of a new family-focused user experience, which includes new protections designed to prevent scams, hacks, fraud and other features include:

Smart Vault - Add information to monitor for fraud or data theft, securely store your most important digital files and passwords to keep them secure, and easily share members.

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On Saturday, March 11 at SXSW[®] in Austin, Texas, Downey Jr. will moderate a discussion between Aura's CEO Hari Ravichandran; former FBI counterintelligence consultant, and SPYEX.com speaker Eric O'Neill bestselling author; and New York TimesMaria Konnikova. The session convenes three of security's brightest minds online crime problem Americans are facing. See more detail about the session, "Online Crime: An American Crisis" here.

To check out Robert Downey Jr.'s audition in "Role of a Lifetime," learn more about your online security risk and how Aura can protect your family online, visit <u>aura.co</u> About Aura

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