

## **Edited**

Mothers (Majki)

Macedonia /2010/123 mins/[Macedonian](#)/Colour/35mm

Director Milcho Manchevski

DOP Vladimir Samoilovski

Editor Zaklina Stojcevska

Music Igor Vasilev Novogradska

Designer David Munns

Cast Ana Stojanovska, Dimitar Gjorgjievski, Vladimir Jacev, Ratka Radmanovic, Salaetin Bilal, Dime Iliev

## **Synopsis**

Two nine-year-old girls report a flasher to the police - even though they never saw him. Three filmmakers meet the only residents of a deserted village – an elderly brother and sister who have not spoken to each other in 16 years. Retired cleaning women are found raped and strangled in a small town. A reporter who writes about the murders is arrested. The fiction slowly turns into a documentary.

Through mothers - dedicated, neglectful, loving, murdered, monstrous - Manchevski renders the many faces of human tragedy and joy. Employing an innovative structure, *MOTHERS* highlights the delicate relationships of truth and fiction, thus becoming a meditation on the nature of truth.

## **About the director**

Macedonian director Milcho Manchevski wrote and directed feature films *Before the Rain* (1994), *Dust* (2001), *Shadows* (2007) and *Mothers* (2011), which screened in the Panorama section of Berlinale, 2011. *Before the Rain* won an Academy-Award nomination and thirty awards, including Golden Lion for Best Film in Venice, Independent Spirit, FIPRESCI, UNESCO, Best Film of the Year in Argentina, Italy, Sweden, Turkey, and other awards in Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Poland, Puerto Rico, Russia, etc. The New York Times included *Before the Rain* on its list of the best 1,000 films ever made. Manchevski's films have screened at more than a hundred festivals, and have been distributed in close to 50 countries.

Festival Participation/Awards

Berlinale 2011. Macedonian Academy Awards entries.

Cinema City Festival: FEDEORA (Federation of Film Critics of Europe and the Mediterranean), 2011

FEST: Critics Award for Best FEST Film "Nebojsa Djukelic", 2011

FEST: Special Jury Prize in the selection "Europe Out of Europe", 2011

MTV Adria Movie Awards: Best Movie nomination, 2011

Macedonian Academy Award Submission: Best Foreign-Language Film, 2010

Fest, 2011: Critics Award for Best FEST Film

Fest 2011: Special Jury Prize "Europe Out of Europe"

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