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MARINA

A FILM BY **STIJN CONINX**



MATTEO SIMONI EVELIEN BOSMANS LUIGI LO CASCIO DONATELLA FINOCCHIARO



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STORY



Italy 1948. Rocco (10) grows up in a gorgeous mountain hamlet in Calabria, until one day his father Salvatore decides to seek a better future for his family.

The greyish mining landscapes of Limburg, icy winters, a foreign language and culture all put a damper on little Rocco's happiness. But still he wants to be like other youngsters: become someone and have a purpose in life.

Against his father's wish and better judgment he seeks an escape through music and love. Rocco follows his heart and passion to fulfill his dream..

The story is based on the childhood memories of the Italian-Belgian singer, Rocco Granata.

CAST

Matteo Simoni is **ROCCO**



Luigi Lo Cascio is **SALVATORE GRANATA**



Evelien Bosmans is **LA RAGAZZA**



Donatella Finocchiaro is **IDA GRANATA**



Chris Van den Durpel is **TONY BRUNO**



Warre Borgmans is **MR. SOMERS**



Director STIJN CONINX

Stijn Coninx (°1957) graduated from the RITS film school in Brussels in the 80s and started his career directing a short film, some commercials as well as his first feature film Hector, a comedy starring Flemish stand-up comedian Urbanus. Following the success of his feature debut he directed Koko Flanel, again starring Urbanus. Coninx' 1992 drama Daens marks a turning point in his career. The true story about a catholic priest who strives to improve the miserable working conditions in local Flemish factories not only receives international praise but is nominated for an Oscar for Best Foreign Language Film. Coninx also directed TV series The Kavijaks and films like When the Light Comes (1998), Further Than The Moon (2003) and Sister Smile (2009) starring Cécile de France.



Producer

PETER BOUCKAERT | EYEWORKS FILM & TV DRAMA

Created in 1981, Eyeworks Film (formerly MMG) is one of Belgium's most prominent and longest established film production companies. Its impressive filmography features critical successes such as *Ben X*, *Bull Head* and *Time of My Life*, as well as local and international hits such as *The Alzheimer Case* (aka *The Memory of a Killer*), *Hector*, *Missing*, *Storm Force*, *Dossier K.*, *Crazy about Ya*,... New features are *The Verdict* (2013, Jan Verheyen) *Marina* (2013, Stijn Coninx) and upcoming features are *The Treatment* (2014, Hans Herbots), and *Brabançonne* (2014, Vincent Bal). The company has a tradition of working both with established filmmakers as well as discovering and launching emerging talents. Since 1995 the company has also been producing highly successful quality drama series for television. Peter Bouckaert has been Head of Film Production since 2005 with *Ben X* being his first film in a long series of successful productions.

www.eyeworksfilm.be



COPRODUCERS

LES FILMS DU FLEUVE

In 1994, Jean-Pierre and Luc Dardenne created the production company Les Films du Fleuve Ltd. To date, Les Films du Fleuve have produced or co-produced a dozen feature films including LE GAMIN AU VÉLO (Grand Prize at the Festival de Cannes 2011), LA PROMESSE, ROSETTA (Golden Palm and Best Actress award - Cannes 1999), LE FILS (Best Actor award - Cannes 2002), L'ENFANT (Golden Palm - Cannes 2005), LE COUPERET by Costa Gavras, LE MYSTÈRE DE LA CHAMBRE JAUNE by Bruno Podalydès, LE SOLEIL ASSASSINÉ from Abdelkrim Bahloul, STORMY WEATHER by Solveig Anspach, LE MONDE VIVANT from Eugène Green, MON COLONEL by Laurent Herbiet, VOUS ÊTES DE LA POLICE? by Romuald Beugnon and recently LE SILENCE DE LORNA (Best Screenplay - Cannes 2008).

www.lesfilmsdufleuve.be

ORISA PRODUZIONE

ORISA PRODUZIONE was established in 1998.

The company has produced about a dozen films, including 10 REGOLE PER FARE INNAMORARE (2012), LE PICCOLE IDEE (2011), INDOVINA CHI SPOSA MIA FIGLIA (2009), ROSSO COME IL CIELO (2006), SAIMIR (2004), L'ERBA PROIBITA (2002), SONO POSITIVO (2000) and OASI (1994).

www.orisa.it

CAST

Rocco (10)	CRISTIAN CAMPAGNA
Rocco	MATTEO SIMONI
Ida	DONATELLA FINOCCHIARO
Salvatore	LUIGI LO CASCIO
Wanda (5)	FEDERICA MARINÒ
Wanda	MAITE REDAL
la Ragazza (11)	MARTE BOSMANS
la Ragazza	EVELIEN BOSMANS
Mr Somers	WARRE BORGMANS
Tony Bruno	CHRIS VAN DEN DURPEL
Hans Kumberger	JOBST SCHNIBBE
Police officer	MARC DE CORTE
Jacky	FLOR DECLEIR
Renaat (11)	LANDERIK BOIE
Renaat	MATTIAS VAN DE VIJVER
Jos	PIETER-JAN DE WYNGAERT
Horst	DAVID BROEDERS
Dino (13)	LORIS SPOSATO
Ms Cliquot	FABIENNE LORIAUX
Signor Fiocchi	ROCCO GRANATA
Luchino	MICHEL SCHILLACI
Accordeon teacher	WIM WILLAERT
Brother Martinez	PIETER PIRON
School principal	LUDO HELLINX
Inspector.....	JURGEN DELNAET
President of Ministry	VINCENT GRASS
Ward	JELLE FLORIZOONE
Iannis	R. KAN ALBAY
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CREW

director STIJN CONINX
screenplay RIK D'HIET & STIJN CONINX
..... BASED ON THE CHILDHOOD MEMORIES OF ROCCO GRANATA
producer PETER BOUCKAERT | EYEWORKS FILM & TV DRAMA
co-producers CRISTIANO BORTONE | ORISA PRODUZIONI
..... JEAN-PIERRE & LUC DARDENNE, DELPHINE TOMSON | LES FILMS DU FLEUVE
line producer NATHALIE VAN SCHELVERGEM
production manager ELSE MOENS
director of photography LOU BERGHMANS
sound engineer HENRI MORELLE
location manager JO VAN HENDE
casting director SARA DE VRIES, LAUREN MÜLLER et GUNTER SCHMID
first assistant MARCUS HIMBERT
script girl FREYA VAN DROOGENBROECK
gaffer TOMMY VAN DEN BEMPT
grip JULIEN COVENS
costume design CATHERINE MARCHAND
make up artist GARANCE VAN ROSSUM
hair dresser FRANK VAN WOLLEGHEM
production design HUBERT POUILLE
image editor PHILIPPE RAVOET
sound editor BENOIT DE CLERCK
mix THOMAS GAUDER
composer MICHELINO BISCEGLIA
set photographer NYK DEKEYSER
press officer ISABELLE COUVREUR | KFD

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

original title Marina
original version Dutch and Italian
country..... Belgium and Italy
shooting period 17 september- 8 november 2012 (35 days)
running time 118 minutes
producer Eyeworks (BE)
co-producers..... Les Films du Fleuve (BE)
..... Orisa Produzione (IT)
..... één (BE)
..... RTBF (BE)
with the support of..... the Flemish Audiovisual Fund
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..... les Régions Wallonne et de Bruxelles-Capitale
..... the province of Limburg
..... the city of Genk
..... the belgian tax shelter for film financing
..... the Italian Ministry of Cultural Affairs
..... Apulia Film Commission
in collaboration with..... Kinopolis Film Distribution
..... Concentra
..... Rai Cinema
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