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ATTENBERG

A film by Athina Rachel Tsangari

Part of the new wave of Greek cinema comes this
SEXY, STRANGE AND BEAUTIFULLY DERANGED
film scheduled to be released on DVD on **June 19th, 2012**
with a pre-book on **May 22nd, 2012**.

Synopsis:

Greece's Official Entry for the Academy Awards®, ATTENBERG is a wonderfully deadpan, surprisingly touching coming-of-age story. 23-year-old Marina lives in a small, factory town by the sea where she passes her time watching Sir David Attenborough's nature programs, listening to the proto-punk songs of Suicide, goofing with her only friend Bella, and tending to her ailing father. When a visiting engineer comes to town, the two form a tentative relationship that pushes Marina into contact with the strange and complex world of adulthood. Critically acclaimed, ATTENBERG is a sincere and humorous look at life's defining moments.

Directed by Athina Rachel Tsangari. Starring Ariane Laped, Vangelis Mourikis, Evangelia Randou, Yorgos Lanthimos (Academy Award®-nominated *Dogtooth* director).

WINNER

Best Actress

(Ariane Laped)

Venice International Film Festival

OFFICIAL SELECTION

*Sundance Film Festival
Toronto International Film Festival
San Francisco International Film Festival
Rotterdam International Film Festival
New Directors/New Films Film Festival
BFI London Film Festival
AFI Film Festival*

Quotes:

"BOLDLY CONCEIVED!" - Andrew Schenker, *Slant Magazine*

"STUNNING!" - Karina Longworth, *LA Weekly*

"ORIGINAL! FEARLESS!" - G. Allen Johnson, *San Francisco Chronicle*

"DRYLY HUMOROUS" - Keith Uhlich, *Time Out New York*

"RARE, BRAVE AND STIRRING!" - Steve Dollar, *The Wall Street Journal*

"INVIGORATING!" - Eric Lavalley, *Indiewire*

"SUPERBLY CALIBRATED" - Anthony Kaufman, *The Village Voice*

"A MAJOR ACHIEVEMENT" - *The Hollywood Reporter*

Country of Origin: Greece / In Greek with English Subtitles

Format: DVD

Stats: Color / Widescreen

Sound Format: 2.0 Stereo

Running Time: 93 minutes

Genre: Drama

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Suggested Retail Price: \$27.99

Not Rated: This Film Contains Mature Subject Matter

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DIRECTOR BIOGRAPHY

Athina Rachel Tsangari received a B.A. in Literature from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, an M.A. in Performance Studies from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts, and an MFA in Film Directing from the University of Texas at Austin. Her introduction to cinema was a small role in Richard Linklater's seminal film *Slacker*. Her first short film *Fit* was a finalist at the Student Academy Awards. Her debut feature *The Slow Business of Going*, a lo-fi-sci-fi road movie shot in nine cities across the world, was voted one of the "best undistributed films" in the 2002 Village Voice Critics' Poll. She co-founded and was artistic director of the Austin-based Cinematexas International Short Film Festival (1997-2007). She was the projections designer and video director for the Athens 2004 Olympic Games Opening & Closing Ceremonies. In 2005, she founded Haos Film, a production office that develops and produces work by and with fellow filmmakers. Amongst her producer credits are Yorgos Lanthimos' films *Kinetta*, *Dogtooth* as an associate producer, and his upcoming *Alps*. In 2009, she directed the animated film "Reflections" for the opening of the new Acropolis Museum designed by Bernard Tschumi, where it screened as a large-scale, site-specific projection. Her sophomore feature *Attenberg* premiered at the 2010 Venice Film Festival official competition, and received the Coppa Volpi Award for Best Actress for its protagonist, Ariane Labeled.

ATHINA RACHEL TSANGARI FILMOGRAPHY

2010	<i>Attenberg</i>	Director/Writer/Producer
2010	<i>Lovers of Hate</i>	Executive Producer
2009	<i>Dogtooth</i>	Associate Producer
2006	<i>Palestine Blues</i>	Producer/Co-Cinematographer/Co-Editor
2005	<i>Kinetta</i>	Producer
2001	<i>The Slow Business of Going</i>	Director
1994	<i>Fit</i> (short)	Director

CAST BIOGRAPHIES

ARIANE LABED

Born in 1984 in Athens, to French parents. She grew up between Greece, Germany and France. After studying dance for 10 years, she studied 'Practice and Theory of Art' at Universite de Provence. A founding member of Vasistas Theatre Company, she has acted in all their performances. She has also acted at the Greek National Theatre.

ARIANE LABED FILMOGRAPHY

2011	Alps	Actress
2010	Attenberg	Actress

EVANGELIA RANDOU

Born in Greece. She graduated from the State School of Dance in Athens. She collaborates as a dancer with several companies in Greece, Cyprus and Germany. She was co-choreographer on Dimitris Papaioannou's team for the opening and closing ceremonies of the Athens 2004 Olympic Games, and a soloist on the night of the opening ceremony. In 2005, she had the lead role in Yorgos Lanthimos' first film *Kinetta*. In 2008, she played *Medea* in the dance-theater performance by D. Papaioannou, presented in Athens and Beijing.

EVANGELIA RANDOU FILMOGRAPHY

2010	Attenberg	Actress
2005	Kinetta	Actress

YORGOS LANTHIMOS

Born in Athens. He studied directing for Film and Television at the Stavrakos Film School. Throughout the 90's he directed a series of videos for Greek dance-theatre companies. Since 1995, he has directed numerous TV commercials in addition to music videos, short films and experimental theatre plays. His first film *Kinetta* played at Toronto and Berlin.

His latest feature *Kynodontas (Dogtooth)* won the *Un Certain Regard* prize at Cannes in 2009, and received an Oscar nomination for Best Foreign Language Film. He is in post-production on his next film *Alps*, jointly produced by him and Athina Rachel Tsangari.

YORGOS LANTHIMOS SELECTED FILMOGRAPHY

2011	Alps	Director/Writer
2010	Attenberg	Producer/Actor
2009	Dogtooth	Director/Writer/Co-Producer
2005	Kinetta	Director/Writer
2001	My Best Friend	Director

VANGELIS MOURIKIS

Studied and acted in several films and avant-garde projects in Australia before he returned to his native Greece to become one of its most celebrated cinema actors. He has earned five Greek State Film Awards for Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor.

VANGELIS MOURIKIS SELECTED FILMOGRAPHY

2011	HYPERLINK " http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1838452/ " Ap' ta kokala vgalmena	Actor
2010	Knifer	Actor
2010	Tungsten	Actor
2010	Attenberg	Actor
2009	Psyhi vathia	Actor
2009	Katharsi	Actor
2008	Well Kept Secrets – Athanassia	Actor
2008	Boobheads	Actor
2007	Jazz (short)	Actor
2007	Pals	Actor
2006	Soul Kicking	Actor
2005	The Wake	Actor
2004	Rakushka	Actor
2002	The King	Actor
2001	The Belly of the Bee	Actor
1999	The Flower of the Lake	Actor
1998	The Photographers	Actor
1998	My Brother and I	Actor
1996	Truants	Actor
1994	The Garden of God	Actor
1984	Balkin Reflections	Actor
1982	Running on Empty	Actor

CAST

ARIANE LABED
VANGELIS MOURIKIS
EVANGELIA RANDOU
YORGOS LANTHIMOS

Marina
Spyros
Bella
The Engineer

CREW

Written & Directed by
Cinematography
Editors

Art Director
Producers

Executive Producer
Produced by
Co-Producers

ATHINA RACHEL TSANGARI
THIMIOS BAKATAKIS
SANDRINE CHEYROL
MATT JOHNSON
DAFNI KALOGIANNI
MARIA HATZAKOU,
YORGOS LANTHIMOS,
IRAKLIS MAVROIDIS,
ATHINA RACHEL TSANGARI,
ANGELOS VENETIS
CHRISTOS V. KONSTANTAKOPOULOS
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