



## SBIFF The Showcase – The Battle of Algiers

### Description

**NEW RESTORATION OF THE 1967 ITALIAN FILM MASTERPIECE!**

**THE BATTLE OF ALGIERS**

Directed by Gillo Pontecorvo

Written by Franco Solinas, Gillo Pontecorvo

Starring Brahim Haggiag, Jean Martin, Saadi Yacef

Country of Origin: Algeria/Italy

Running Time: 123 min

Subtitled



New restoration of one of the most influential political films in history, *The Battle of Algiers* (1966), vividly re-creates a key year in the tumultuous Algerian struggle for independence from the occupying French in the 1950s. As violence escalates on both sides, children shoot soldiers at point-blank range, women plant bombs in cafés, and French soldiers resort to torture to break the will of the insurgents. Shot on the streets of Algiers in documentary style, the film is a case study in modern warfare, with its terrorist attacks and the brutal techniques used to combat them. Pontecorvo's tour de force has astonishing relevance today.

#### Here's what other leading critics are saying:

"ASTONISHING! A political thriller of unmatched realism!"

– **A.O. Scott, *The New York Times***

"A GREAT FILM...Everything about this film says it's real, it's happening now, it's important."

**–Kenneth Turan, Los Angeles Times**

“PULSES WITH ENERGY! As urgent, intense, prescient as ever!”

– **Ann Hornady, The Washington Post**

**Screening:**

Sunday October 23 @ 2:00pm

Monday October 24 @ 7:30pm

Tuesday October 25 @ 5:00pm

Wednesday October 26 @ 7:30pm

at the Riviera Theatre

2044 Alameda Padre Serra



See you at the movies!



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