



#SBIFF The Showcase – Neruda

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Exclusively screening in Los Angeles, New York, and Santa Barbara

The eventful and unorthodox life of the Nobel Prize–winning poet, politician, committed communist, unapologetic hedonist, and Chilean cultural icon Pablo Neruda provides plentiful territory for cinematic exploration. The poet's early-1950s exile in Procida previously inspired Michael Radford's *Il Postino*, a fictionalized story about Neruda's relationship with a local postman that left few cinemagoers dry-eyed. Now, Pablo Larraín, Chile's most inventive and provocative contemporary filmmaker, takes a wholly unique approach to his famous countryman's life and work with *Neruda*, which is set during the poet's sojourn underground in the late 1940s.

"Exceptional."

Joe Morgenstern – The Wall Street Journal

"Grade A – brilliant. Riffs on Neruda's life in a near-frenzy of visual and narrative inventiveness. Gael Garcia Bernal is outstanding."

Jessica Kiang – The Playlist

"Thoughtful and provocative. A very beautiful made film."

Kenneth Turan – LA Times

"An Inventive, incredibly entertaining drama."

Benjamin Lee – the guardian



Screening:

Friday, December 30 @ 11:00am
Saturday, December 31 @ 11:00am
Sunday, January 1 @ 2:00pm
Monday, January 2 @ 7:30pm
Tuesday, January 3 @ 5:00pm
Wednesday, January 4 @ 7:30pm
at the Riviera Theatre – 2044 Alameda Padre Serra

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NERUDA

Directed by Pablo Larraín
Written by Guillermo Calderón

Starring Gael García Bernal, Luis Gnecco, Alfredo Castro, Michael Silva, Mercedes Morán, Pablo Derqui
Runtime: 107 Minutes
Rated R (for sexuality/nudity and some language)
Subtitled



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