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BLACK OUT

DIRECTED BY ARNE TOONEN

In Dutch with English subtitles

91 min., Netherlands, 2013

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Synopsis

If Guy Ritchie made THE HANGOVER in Amsterdam, it might look something like BLACK OUT, an audacious crime thriller laced with colorful lowlifes, tough femmes fatales, corrupt cops, and outbursts of extreme violence.

On the day before his wedding, retired criminal Jos (Raymond Thiry) wakes up next to a murdered man with no recollection of what happened the night before. He soon discovers that a group of gangsters have pinned him as the lone suspect in the theft of 20 kilos of coke. He's got to get it back in 24 hours, or the life of his bride Caroline (Kim Van Kooten) will be in serious danger. Now he has no choice but to creep back into his dangerous old world of petty thieves and drug dealers – all before his wedding the next day.

Helmed by Dutch director Arne Toonen, BLACK OUT is a film full of brash style, visual panache and edge-of your-seat excitement.

Director's Biography

Arne Toonen (1975) graduated from the Dutch Film & Television Academy in 2003 and has directed various award winning short films and television dramas. His first feature film DIK TROM got critical acclaim and was one of the five most popular films in Dutch cinemas in 2010.

Director's Filmography (selection)

DIK TROM (2010), feature (85 min)
DROP DEAD! (2009), short (9 min)
OH DEER! (2008), short (12 min)
HET SCHNITZELPARADIJS, TV drama, 5 episodes (24 min per episode)
HOU HOLLAND SCHOON (2008), TV drama (39 min)
MILAH (2007), short (17 min)



Cast

Raymond THIRY Jos Vreeswijk

Kim VAN KOOTEN Caroline Renée FOKKER Inez Bas KEIJZER **Bobbie Edmond CLASSEN** Charles Simon ARMSTRONG Vlad Ursul DE GEER Rudolf Katja SCHUURMAN Charity Birgit SCHUURMAN Petra KEMPI Bjorn Alex VAN WARMERDAM Andre Marwan KENZARI Yussuf Robert DE HOOG Gianni Horace COHEN Rex Sem SCHILT Abel Joop KASTEEL Saban

Crew

director Arne TOONEN
director of photography Jeroen DE BRUIN
production design Alfred SCHAAF
make up Marleen HOLTHUIS
sfx make up Erik HILLENBRINK

costume design Marion BOOT & Marian VAN NIEUWENHUYZEN

casting director Job CASTELIJN & Janus GOSSCHALK

sound Victor HORSTINK
first AD Germain MESER
sound design Arno WILLEMSTEIN
music GOOD SOUNDS

editors Brian ENT & Marc BECHTOLD

executive producer YANI

line producer Ilse RONTELTAP coproducer Marc FURSTNER

writers Melle RUNDERKAMP & Arne TOONEN

producers Bert NIJDAM, Erwin GODSCHALK, Maarten KUIT &

Jeroen VAN DEN IDSERT

Reactions

"An energetic, twister, colorful ride! Goes places Guy Ritchie wouldn't even touch." - Neil Miller, *Film School Rejects*

"Great performances, perfect direction and a whip-smart script!" - Steve Prokopy, Ain't It Cool News

"A clever thriller!" - Matt Singer, Indiewire

Festivals & Awards

Rembrandt Awards 2013 Nominee - Best Film Rembrandt Awards 2013 Nominee - Best Actor, Raymond Thiry Netherlands Film Festival Golden Calf 2013 Nominee - Best Supporting Actor, Bas Keijzer

Netherlands Film Festival Golden Calf 2013 Nominee - Best Cinematography, Jeroen de Bruin

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Upcoming titles include PENANCE from master of Japanese horror Kiyoshi Kurosawa, the Dutch crime comedy BLACK OUT, and JACKPOT based on a story by Norway's leading crime novelist Jo Nesbø.

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