



21 POSITIONS

MOND CON PISTOLAS FILMS - CINEMAN FACTORY - AMERICAN ROAD FILMS PRESENTS "21 PARADISE" STARRING MARIA LAZARO & FERNANDO BARONA MUSIC BY MARCOS CRUZ LORENES PRODUCTION DESIGNER LUCIA LENIZ COSTA COSTUME DESIGNER SEBASTIÁN HIDALGO & ANTONIO SABORIDO SOUND DESIGNER ROBER H.S. PRODUCTION EDITOR MARIO PARDO EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS CLAUDIA CAPOTTO & MARIO ALONSO ASSOCIATE PRODUCER CARLOS MESTANZA PRODUCED BY ENRIQUE F. GUZMAN SCREENPLAY BY MARIA LAZARO & FERNANDO BARONA & NÉSTOR RUIZ MEDINA DIRECTED BY NÉSTOR RUIZ MEDINA © 2020 MOND CON PISTOLAS FILMS CINEMAN FACTORY AMERICAN ROAD FILMS ALL RIGHTS RESERVED

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2022 | 98 MINUTES | SPAIN | SPANISH WITH ENGLISH SUBTITLES | NOT RATED

SYNOPSIS

Julia and Mateo are a young couple, who live close to nature on the coast of Cádiz, sustaining their minimalist lifestyle by sharing their most intimate moments on the uncensored social network OnlyFans. Despite fulfilling the sexual fantasies of their paying viewers, the two lovers struggle to keep their passion for each other alive when the pressures to perform in front of the camera become too much for them to bear.

Presenting 21 pivotal moments of eroticism, conflict and confrontation, director Néstor Ruiz Medina explores the “stormy emotional area where the need for love and cash collide” (*Screen Daily*) in his raw and thought-provoking feature debut.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

21 is an atypical feature film in every way. The script only has 10 pages and the film has been gaining life and dimension on its own through intense creative work and honest improvisations. From the first moment we know the film we wanted to make, although it seems that shooting without any script is difficult, but for us it has been like a kind of “liberation”.

We knew the characters and we knew very well the story we wanted to tell, we've been working into it for six months. Once on the set, all you had to do was flow and listen.

We have shot the film in 21 sequences shots, surrounded by non-professional actors and on celluloid. I wanted each of the 21 moments to be unique and unrepeatable in order to somehow capture the reality of the world we had created.

Today the world of porn has changed radically. Anyone with access to social networks like OnlyFans can create his own material. As a filmmaker I am interested in the people behind an account where one sells his intimacies for money. I am also interested in how sex is treated in our society. It is a taboo subject that continues to make many people nervous today. It is more common to see a death in the cinema than a masturbation. When in real life masturbating is the order of the day, but killing someone is not.

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Main Cast

María Lázaro..... Julia
Fernando Barona..... Mateo

Adicional Cast

Ana Blanco
Alberto Hernández
Ander Segovia
Enrique Rodríguez
Silvia Caputto
Mario Alonso
Ro Marqués
Claudia Caputto
Pilar Jiménez
Jesús Acosta
Alejandro Morales
Claudia Izquierdo
Odille Lima

Director

Néstor Ruiz Medina

Writers

María Lázaro
Fernando Barona
Néstor Ruiz Medina

Director of Photography

Marino Pardo

Production Designer

Lucía Lence Costa

Costume

Sebastián Hidalgo
Antonio Saborido

Sound Designer

Roberto H.G

Music

Marcos Cruz Lloréns

Main song
Fernando Barona

Editing

Néstor Ruiz Medina

Color

Gradepunk
Jon Corcuera

Lab

Augustus Color

Negative

Kodak

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