



Phillip Island Movie Club

Our October Film was *PATERSON* and was rated in our Starbox voting system as a 3.4 out of 5 by the 61 members who voted.

This month's film on the 29th November 2017 is an English film *UNITED KINGDOM* made in 2016, released in 2017 and directed by Amma Asante. It runs for 111 mins and is rated PG.

David Oyelowo and Rosamund Pike star in this romantic drama based on the true story of an African prince who fell in love with a white British woman in the 1940s. While studying in England, Prince Seretse Khama (Oyelowo) meets Ruth Williams (Pike), a beautiful young woman who immediately steals his heart. As the two begin a highly controversial love affair, they battle every day against prejudice and hate, hoping that their love will keep them together. When the time comes for Seretse to go home to take his place on the throne of Bechuanaland (now Botswana), he refuses to leave without Ruth and so the two marry and return as husband and wife. With British government official Alistair Canning (Jack Davenport) threatening Ruth with the knowledge that her marriage could cause the downfall of the British Empire in Africa, the couple do everything they can to convince the world that they can be an interracial couple and still successfully lead a country.

The film highlights the links between the personal and the political, when Seretse is called back home in 1949. South Africa had implemented Apartheid in 1948 and was putting a lot of pressure on The United Kingdom, to stop Seretse and his new bride from taking over in Bechuanaland a British Protectorate. Asante gives us a romantic but sound story of this time in history.

Entrance is by membership only as this is a requirement of Film Clubs. The Membership forms for 2018 will be available at this film screening. Those on the Waiting List have been sent electronic copies of the form. If you are unable to attend the November film then please email us on the address below and we will also send you an electronic copy.

Instead of the raffle for this month, the PIMC will hand out one free raffle ticket to each member with the chance to win one free membership or a hamper.

There will be wine, champagne, tea and coffee and substantial nibbles. BYO glass if you do not want to drink out of paper or plastic cups.

Our next film will be on February the 28th 2018.

As usual our films in 2018 will be shown on the last Wednesday of the month from February to November.

Any queries or applications for a membership form can be made at phillipislandmovieclub@gmail.com