

A woman in a plaid jacket and a young girl in a yellow sweater and green headscarf are in a rustic kitchen. The girl is holding a small green parrot on her hand. The scene is lit with warm, natural light from a window with floral curtains. The title 'Melody' is written in a large, white, cursive font across the center of the image.

Melody

A film by BEHROUZ SEBT RASOUL



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SYNOPSIS

Melody teaches music at a centre for cancerous children. The thirty children are having a party at the end of autumn and ask Melody to compose a piece using the sounds of thirty different birds. She goes to her home village to record the birdsong and is helped by the mute caretaker of the family home, Mango. When they find just 20 birds, Mango makes Melody understand that only the old village singer knows where the other birds are, but bird hunters have forced him out of the village. Melody sets out to find both him and the missing birds.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

At a time when people the world over face a plethora of problems, artists should be able to assuage pain and anxiety through art, aided by the visual and acoustic beauties of nature and birdsong. With this film I've tried to give people a few moments of necessary tranquility, far removed from the stresses of everyday life.

BIOGRAPHY

Behrouz Sebt Rasoul is an independent Iranian filmmaker, screenwriter, editor, photographer, musician and author of two novels. Born in Tehran in 1970, though he graduated from the Karaj University of Industrial Engineering, his passion has always been the cinema. In 2013 he founded the company 'NAMA FILM'. He has made three music documentaries, one wildlife documentary and 28 documentary episodes about nature, all internationally acclaimed by both professionals and the public.

FILMOGRAPHY

2023: Melody | Fiction, 85 min, 4k, Colour, Tajikistan/Iran

2020: Before Eleven | Fiction, 90 min, 4K, Colour, Iran

2015: Identity | Fiction, 75 min, HD, Colour, Iran

CAST

Diman Zandi • Alireza Ostadi • Meghdad Eslami
Safar Haqdodov • Zulfiya Sadikova

CREW

Written & Directed by: Behrouz Sebt Rasoul
Director of Photography: Ali-Mohammad Ghasemi
Editing: Behrouz Sebt Rasoul
Original Music: Foad Samiei
Sound Designer: Mahmoudreza Mousavinejad
Sound Recordist: Jafar Alian Nasab
Set & Costume Designer: Payam Hossein Souri
Make-Up Artist: Mohammad Zoghi Taleghani
Special Effects: Ali Bahri

Production Manager: Mojtaba Noormohammadi
Executive Producer: Nosir Saidov

Producer: Behrouz Sebt Rasoul
Production Company: NAMA Film

Co-producer: Nosir Saidov
Co-Production Company: SAFINA Company

Shooting format Digital 4k • **Screening format** DCP • **Sound** 5.1 • **Ratio** 1.33:1 • **Original version** Persian • **Subtitled in** English
Running time 85 min • **Year** 2023

Fiction • **Colour** • **85 min** • **Tajikistan/Iran**