

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 parakeet 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 Sour  
**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**