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Resources

Film: Mouthpiece (2018)
Director: Patricia Rozema



Image courtesy of The Guardian (<https://www.theguardian.com/film/2021/mar/10/mouthpiece-review-doppelganger-story>)

Patricia Rozema: “When we got together to write the screenplay — I’m a mother, and my mother died when I was their age — I felt like I had something authentic to add that wasn’t weird fakery for me to insert myself into this thing.”



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Trailer:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0yfc89xHjYE>

Fun Facts:

- When Rozema brought fellow writers and actresses Amy Nostbakken and Norah Sadava to her house, they sat in her bathtub and acted out the first scene of the original play. They kept cutting down the dialogue until they had removed it altogether!
- Norah Sadava describes the play as, 'a woman going through a feminist awakening, finding out she's a hypocrite and dealing with the realities of that.' However, she adds that grief and sympathy towards the mother were added more to the film. Particularly as some of the women have become mothers themselves.
- Jodie Foster saw the original play in Canada and told the women that it would make a great film.
- The DP, Catherine Lutes describes how she wanted to make a love letter to Toronto and show the reality that people who live there experience.
- Nora Sadava and Amy Nostbakken have plans for a film about egg freezing.



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Festival Appearances and Awards:

- **Canadian Cinema Editors Awards (2019)**
WON:
Best Editing in Feature Film.
- **Canadian Screen Awards, CA (2020)**
Nominated:
Achievement in Editing.
- **Directors Guild of Canada**
WON:



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Outstanding Achievement in Picture Editing – Feature Film.

Nominated:

Outstanding Directorial Achievement - Feature Film.

- **Film by the Sea International Film Festival**

Nominated:

Best Film Adaptation.

- **Film Club's The Lost Weekend**

WON:

Best Story, Best Actress, Best Director, Best Film,
Avant Robot Award

Video Material:

Mouthpiece Cast and Crew Q&A, TIFF 2018	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8RFcRo8Qlpo
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Interviews:

An in-depth conversation with the women behind Mouthpiece	https://seventh-row.com/2020/09/28/interview-mouthpiece-patricia-rozema-amy-nostbakken-norah-sadava/
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Why Mouthpiece is the Feminist Film We Need Right Now.	https://fashionmagazine.com/flare/celebrity/mouthpiece-film-interview/
TIFF '18 Interview: Patricia Rozema on Amplifying Women's Voices with "Mouthpiece"	https://moveablefest.com/patricia-rozema-mouthpiece/

Reviews:

The Guardian	https://www.theguardian.com/film/2021/mar/14/mouthpiece-review-norah-sadava-amy-nostbakken
Roger Ebert	https://www.rogerebert.com/reviews/mouthpiece-2019
Los Angeles Times	https://www.latimes.com/entertainment/movies/la-et-mn-mini-mouthpiece-review-20190606-story.html
The Hollywood Reporter	https://www.hollywoodreporter.com/movies/movie-reviews/mouthpiece-1214467/