## ΕN **X**

A FILM BY MOHSEN NABAVI



Producer Azadeh Akbarian

ESEN STUDIOS presents "PHOENIX"

With Mohammad Seddighimehr

MOHAMADAMIN SAHEBZADEH • ZAHRA AGHAPOUR • GHOLAM FOULADI • MOHAMMAD SAMYAR SARKHEIL • MEHRAEIN NABAVI

Cinematographer FARZAD NADERI Production & Costume Designer SADRA SADRI Editor SHAHAB NAJAFI Composer ERFAN FARSHIZADEH Sound Mixing HASSAN MAHDAVI Makeup Artist JALAL AMIRI MARAND Sound ALI ALAVI Colorist FARBOD JALALI VFX SAEED SALARVAND Produced by AZADEH AKBARIAN Written and Directed by MOHSEN NABAVI









# PHOENIX

(Ghoghnous)

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"According to his father's will, Farooq wants to bury his body in a coffin in his country Afghanistan."

PHOENIX
Ghoghnous
13'
Drama
2022
Persian
Iran
Color
2.35:1

## Synopsis

Farough, an Afghani 45 years old man, wants to fulfill his father's will by burring his corps in Afghanistan. However, due to the Taliban's invasion, he was forced to carry the deceased father's corpse from out of the way and mountains to his motherland.

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#### CAST

#### Mohammad Sedighimehr Mohammad Amin Sahebzadeh Zahra Aghapour



#### **CREW**

Written and Directed by Director of Photography Production Design

> *Costume Design* Editing Sound Producer Production Distribution

Mohsen Nabavi Faramarz Naderi Vahid Jabarzadeh Abasalt Soleymanzadeh Sadra Sadri Shahab Najafi Composer Erfan Farshizadeh Hassan Mahdavi Azadeh Akbarian 8Film Esen Studios

# **OFFICIAL SELECTIONS & AWARDS**



# AWARDS

# Aracnea Film and Book Festival SPECIAL MENTION

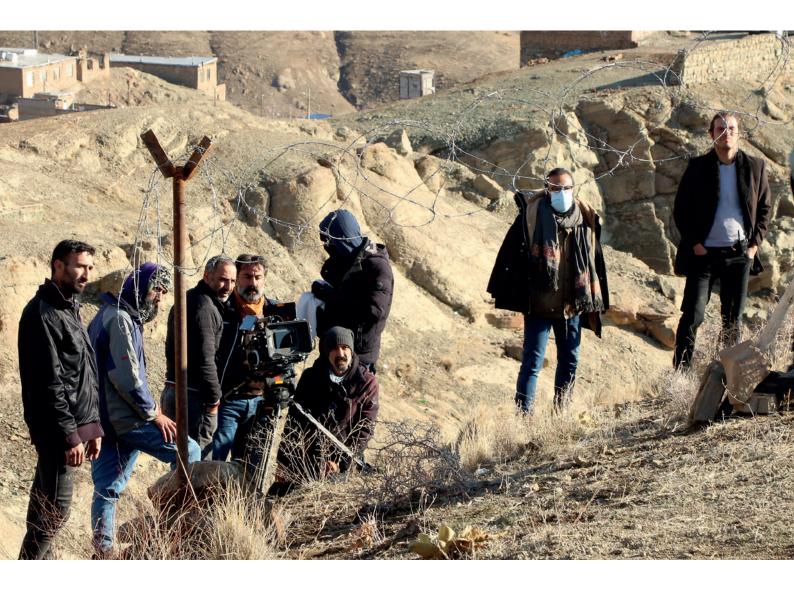
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# **OFFICIAL SELECTIONS**

•	Caèital City Film Festival	( USA )
•	International Adana Golden Boll Film Festival	(Turkey)
•	Nordic Star Festival – former Vasteras Film Festival	(Sweden)
•	Dhaka International Film Festival	(Bangladesh)
•	Roma Film Corto	(Italy)
•	Orlando Film Festival	( USA )
•	Aaretaler Kurzfilmtage	(Switzerland)
•	Aracnea Film and Book Festival	( Italy )

### **Director statement**

Almost all people have experienced the bitter taste of war and its after effects at different times in history, and in these years, the people of Afghanistan and Ukraine more than ever. The hateful war and the selfishness and greed of politicians with an ideology or utilitarian perspective put a heavy burden on the shoulders of people who have to carry the grief of their dearest people on the hard and rocky path of life. Hoping for a day when peace will warm and illuminate the whole earth like the warm light of the sun. This is a film dedicated to peace and all people who are far from their homeland.



## Mohsen Nabavi, director

Mohsen Nabavi (born 2 August 1979 in Shiraz) is an Iranian Director, Scriptwriter and Actor. He started his work making short narrative film entitled "These Days" for Iranian Young Cinema Society (IYCS). He has also written for several movie newspapers and magazines like 'Shortfilmnews'. He has won numerous awards from national and international film festivals for his short films. So far, he made 7 short films and collaborated in several movies as a screenwriter. In 2020, he worked as a consultant in the Family Film Awards of America and was present in 4 editions of the Spanish Rural Film Festival as a jury member.

