

# HOLLYWOODGATE

by Ibrahim Nash'at



## SYNOPSIS

When the United States withdrew from its twenty-year 'forever war' in Afghanistan, the Taliban retook control of the ravaged country and immediately found an American base loaded with weaponry—a portion of the over \$7 billion in U.S. armaments still in the country. Unprecedented and audacious, director Ibrahim Nash'at's HOLLYWOODGATE spends a year inside Afghanistan following the Taliban as they take possession of the cache America left behind—and transform from a fundamentalist militia into a heavily armed military regime.

Golden Eye Jury statement:

HOLLYWOODGATE is the portrait of two Taliban military men, the head of the Taliban airforce and a lieutenant. The director Ibrahim Nash'at flew into Afghanistan risking his life two days after the US it's allies evacuated the country. In succeeding to win the trust of his two main subjects and following them around for one year, he exposes a shocking world that is otherwise inaccessible. As an audience it is a privilege to...

## FESTIVALS

2023

80 La Biennale di Venezia – 80 Venice IFF

50 Telluride FF

Woodstock Film Festival

Hot Springs Documentary Film Festival

Golden Eye in the Focus – 19 Zurich FF

36 IDFA – Best of Fests

27 PÖFF – Tallinn Black Nights Film Festival

Stockholm IFF

Special Mention – Verzio Int. Human Rights DFF

AFF Feature Documentary Award – Adelaide Film Festival, Australia

El Gouna Star & FIPRESCI Prize – El Gouna Film Festival, Egypt

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21 CPH:DOX Copenhagen

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FORMAL CATEGORIES

Current Affairs, Conflicts, War/Peace, Human Rights, Politics

PREMIERE

Italy (2023)

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LINKS / REFERENCE

<https://www.cinephil.com/fi...>

PRODUCTION:

Rolling Narratives GmbH

<https://rollingnarratives.n...>

Jouzour Film Production UG

(haftungsbeschränkt), Berlin

<https://vimeo.com/user25838...>

Cottage M

<https://www.cottagem.com>

RaeFilm Studios

<https://www.crew-united.com...>

PRESS

<https://variety.com/2023/fi...>

<https://cineuropa.org/en/vi...>

<https://www.rollingstone.co...>

TRAILER (festivals)

<https://youtu.be/BpRtCqA8rn...>