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Late Phases is out April 22



Late Phases will be available to buy for \$29.95

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Thursday, February 20, 2015 – Accent Film Entertainment is pleased to announce the release of the horror-thriller *Late Phases*. Directed by Adrián García Bogliano and starring Nick Damici, this offbeat and conspiratorial take on retirement and elimination is out on Blu-ray and DVD April 22.

Crescent Bay is not the ideal place to spend one's golden years, especially since the once-idyllic retirement community has been beset by a series of deadly animal attacks from the ominous forest surrounding it. When recently widowed war veteran Ambrose McKinley (Nick Damici) is moved in by his condescending son Will (Ethan Embry), the blue-hair set immediately take offense to Ambrose's abrasive personality. But that take-no-prisoners attitude may be just what Ambrose needs to survive. Don't go quietly into that good night. With only his loyal seeing-eye dog for company, Ambrose enters a society of alienated and alienating old folk in an aged care facility so bland as to make many of the residents seem like the walking dead. But it's not zombies that terrorise this community.

A recent spate of deaths every month has been blamed, according to the indifferent police department, on animal attacks. Forgetful elderly are too absent minded to lock their doors at night. But when a neighbour is slaughtered and his dog is attacked. Ambrose soon realises that with each full moon some beast preys upon the vulnerable villagers and it's now up to him to stop it.

Filmmaker Adrián García Bogliano (*Penumbra, Cold Sweat, Here Comes the Devil*), one of the best kept secrets from Latin America cinema, masterfully delivers a spooky mood and character study with a horror movie thrown in. Lapsed time and aging are recurrent themes through *Late Phases*. Even the subtle casting adheres to this with Ethan Embry better known as the bright eyed kid from *Can't Hardly Wait* and Lance Guest, the young hero of *The Last Starfighter* noticeably now a long way from their youthful former big screen selves.

“Damici more than holds the screen, too gruffly determined to be upstaged by a monster” – The Hollywood Reporter

“In addition to the careful parceling-out of information and anticipation, the film benefits enormously from Damici's lead performance: gruff, funny, aggressive, and, of course, commanding sympathy, the character compellingly entices the audience to board this ride,” observes Zachary Wigon in The Village Voice.

Winner Best Actor at the Toronto After Dark Film Festival, *Late Phases*, shot in widescreen 2.35:1, is a moody, amusing and provocative account of maintaining one's dignity in the twilight – in spite of everything.



Late Phases

Director: Adrián García Bogliano

Cast: Nick Damici (Cold in July), Ethan Embry (Can't Hardly Wait), Lance Guest (The Last Starfighter), Tom Noonan (Manhunter)

Synopsis: A Vietnam veteran moves into a retirement home plagued by werewolves.

SRP: \$29.95

Rating: MA

Running time: 95 mins

Aspect ratio: 2.35:1

Sound: 5.1

Assets:

Pack shots and images available through George@accentfilm.com

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