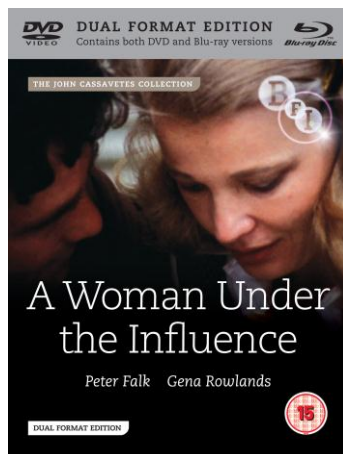


Dual Format Edition press release



The John Cassavetes Collection A Woman Under the Influence

Starring Peter Falk and Gena Rowlands

Arguably John Cassavetes' most successful and influential film, *A Woman Under the Influence* stars Gena Rowlands (*Gloria*, *Faces*) and the legendary Peter Falk (*Columbo*) as Mabel and Nick Longhetti, a blue-collar couple struggling to cope with Mabel's slide into mental illness.

Featuring a central performance of awe-inspiring conviction from Gena Rowlands, this critically acclaimed film is as powerful today as it was upon its original release, when it earned Oscar® nominations for Rowlands (Best Actress) and John Cassavetes (Best Director).

Packaged in a Dual Format Edition (containing both DVD and Blu-ray discs), this extraordinary film receives its world premiere Blu-ray release. Special features include a rare interview with Peter Falk, filmed at John Cassavetes and Gena Rowlands' home in the Hollywood hills, an interview with John Cassavetes' long-term personal assistant, Elaine Kagan, by film critic Tom Charity, and two original trailers.

Special features

- Presented in both High Definition and Standard Definition
- *Falk on Cassavetes: husbands and wives* (DVD only, 15 mins)
- *Elaine Kagan interviewed by Tom Charity* (DVD only, 19 mins)
- Original trailer (3 mins)
- Alternative 16mm trailer (3 mins)
- Illustrated booklet featuring interviews and new essays by Tom Charity and Al Ruban

A Woman Under the Influence follows the BFI's release of *Shadows* (1959) and *Faces* (1968) in April. The *Killing of a Chinese Bookie* (1976) and *Opening Night* (1977) will be released in Dual Format Editions in Spring 2013.

RRP: £19.99 / cat. no. BFIB1127 / Cert 15

US / 1974 / colour / 147 mins / Original aspect ratio 1.85:1

Disc 1: BD50 / 1080p / 24fps / PCM mono audio (48k/24-bit)

Disc 2: DVD9 / PAL / Dolby Digital mono audio (320 kbps)

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