





Letter to Brezhnev

Written by Frank Clarke Directed by Chris Bernard Starring Peter Firth, Alfred Molina, Alexandra Pigg, Margi Clarke

One of the most significant and influential British films of the 1980s, Letter to Brezhnev is a touching romantic tale set against the backdrop of Thatcherism, Liverpool's club scene, one-night stands and a Europe still in the grip of the Cold War. Written by Frank Clarke and directed by Chris Bernard, the film starred a fresh young cast. Now, more than 30 years on, it will be released by the BFI on Blu-ray (for the first time) and DVD in a Dual Format Edition on 24 April 2017. Special features include new interviews with cast members and a new audio commentary.

Two Merseyside girls escape their humdrum lives for a night on the town, where they meet two Russian sailors (Peter Firth and Alfred Molina) on shore leave. For Teresa (Margi Clarke), it's a welcome bit of fun, but for Elaine (Alexandra Pigg, who was nominated for a BAFTA Award) it turns into much more. Letter to Brezhnev remains a hilarious and uplifting tale of how love and idealism can help ordinary people realise their dreams.

This Dual Format Edition will be launched in Liverpool with a special reunion screening followed by a Q&A with cast and crew, including Margi Clarke, Alexandra Pigg, Peter Firth, Frank Clarke and Chris Bernard, on Tuesday 18 April at 8.20pm at FACT Picturehouse, 88 Wood Street, Liverpool L1 4DO. Tickets are on sale now from: https://www.picturehouses.com/cinema/Picturehouse At Fact/film/letter-to-brezhnev

Special features

- Presented in High Definition and Standard Definition
- An Interview with Margi Clarke (2017, 35 mins)
- An Interview with Alexandra Pigg and Peter Firth (2017, 14 mins)
- Audio commentary with actor Margi Clarke
- New audio commentary with director Chris Bernard and screenwriter Frank Clarke
- From Liverpool with Love (2003, 16 mins): original making-of documentary
- Original theatrical trailer
- Stills and Collections Gallery
- Illustrated booklet including new writing by Frank Clarke and Professor Julia Hallam, and full film credits

Product details

RRP: £19.99/ Cat. no. BFIB1265 / Cert 15

UK / 1985 / colour / 94 mins / English language, with optional hard-of-hearing subtitles / original aspect ratio 1.66:1 // BD50: 1080p, 24fps, PCM 2.0 stereo (48kHz/24-bit) // DVD9: PAL, 25fps, Dolby Digital 2.0 stereo (224kbps)

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