

# Ghostlight (2024 film)

Ghostlight is a 2024 American drama film, directed by Kelly O'Sullivan and Alex Thompson, from a screenplay by O'Sullivan. It stars Keith Kupferer, Dolly de Leon, Katherine May Kupferer, Tara Mallen, Hana Dworkin, Tommy Rivera-Vega, Alma Washington, H.B. Ward, Dexter Zollicoffer, Deanna Dunagan and Francis Guinan.

It had its world premiere at the <u>2024 Sundance Film Festival</u> on January 18, 2024, and is scheduled to be released on June 14, 2024, by IFC Films and Sapan Studio.

#### **Premise**

A tender and heartwarming drama about a construction worker who is pulled into a local production of Romeo and Juliet, only to find community and a way to work through his own family troubles. [1]

#### Cast

- Keith Kupferer as Dan
- Dolly de Leon as Rita
- Katherine May Kupferer as Daisy
- Tara Mallen as Sharon
- Hana Dworkin as Lanora
- Tommy Rivera-Vega as Lucian
- Alma Washington as Moira
- H.B. Ward as Jonah
- Dexter Zollicoffer as Greq
- Deanna Dunagan as herself
- Francis Guinan as Janitor Fran

#### Release

The film had its world premiere at the <u>2024 Sundance Film Festival</u> on January 18, 2024. [2][3] A week later, <u>IFC Films</u> and <u>Sapan Studio</u> acquired distribution rights to the film. [4] It also screened at <u>South by Southwest</u> on March 10, 2024. [5][6] It is scheduled to be released on June 14, 2024. [7]

# Reception

| Ghostlight           |                       |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Directed by          | Kelly O'Sullivan      |
|                      | Alex Thompson         |
| Written by           | Kelly O'Sullivan      |
| Produced by          | Alex Thompson         |
|                      | lan Keiser            |
|                      | Pierce Cravens        |
|                      | Eddie Linker          |
|                      | Chelsea Krant         |
| Starring             | Keith Kupferer        |
|                      | Dolly de Leon         |
|                      | Katherine May         |
|                      | Kupferer              |
|                      | Tara Mallen           |
|                      | Hana Dworkin          |
|                      | Tommy Rivera-<br>Vega |
|                      | Alma Washington       |
|                      | H.B. Ward             |
|                      | Dexter Zollicoffer    |
|                      | Deanna                |
|                      | Dunagan               |
|                      | Francis Guinan        |
| Cinematography       | Luke Dyra             |
| Edited by            | Mike S. Smith         |
| Music by             | Quinn Tsan            |
| Production companies | Little Engine         |
|                      | Runaway Train         |
| Distributed by       | IFC Films             |
|                      | Sapan Studio          |
| Release dates        | January 18, 2024      |
|                      | (Sundance)            |
|                      | June 14, 2024         |
|                      | (United States)       |
| Running time         | 115 minutes           |

On the <u>review aggregator</u> website <u>Rotten Tomatoes</u>, <u>100%</u> of 18 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 8.50/10. <u>[8]</u> <u>Metacritic</u>, which uses a <u>weighted average</u>, assigned the film a score of 87 out of 100, based on 8 critics, indicating "universal acclaim". <u>[9]</u>

| Country  | United States |
|----------|---------------|
| Language | English       |

acclaim".[9]

The film won first runner up for the Golden Space Needle Award, co-directors O'Sullivan and Thompson won the audience award for Best Directors, and Keith Kupferer won Best Performance at the Seattle International Film Festival. [10]

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