

Miranda's Victim is a 2023 American period drama film directed by Michelle Danner and starring Abigail Breslin, Luke Wilson, Kyle MacLachlan, Ryan Phillippe, Mireille Enos, Emily VanCamp, Andy Garcia, and Donald Sutherland.^[2] It is based on the life of Patricia "Trish" Weir, who was kidnapped and raped by Ernesto Miranda in 1963.^{[3][4][5]} The film also depicts the origin of the *Miranda* warning.^{[6][7][8][9]}

It was released by Vertical Entertainment in the United States on October 6, 2023.

Cast

- Abigail Breslin as Trish Weir^[3]
- Luke Wilson as Lawrence Turoff^[3]
- Andy García as Alvin Moore^[3]
- Donald Sutherland as Judge Laurance T. Wren^[7]
- Ryan Phillippe as John J. Flynn^[7]
- Kyle MacLachlan as Chief Justice Earl Warren^[4]
- Mireille Enos as Zeola^[4]
- Taryn Manning as Twila Hoffman^[7]
- Emily VanCamp as Ann Weir^[10]
- Sebastian Quinn as Ernesto Miranda^[10]
- Enrique Murciano as Detective Cooley^[10]
- Brent Sexton as Sergeant Nealis^[10]
- Josh Bowman as Charles^[10]

Production

In May 2022, it was announced that Breslin, Wilson, Sutherland and Garcia were cast in the film.^[11] In June 2022, it was announced that Phillippe, MacLachlan, Enos and Manning were added to the cast.^{[12][13]}

Filming began in New Jersey in June 2022.^{[7][14]} The film was shot in Middletown Township, New Jersey, Red Bank, New Jersey and at Monmouth University.^[15]

Release

Miranda's Victim



Theatrical release poster

Directed by Michelle Danner

Screenplay by J. Craig Stiles

Story by George Kolber
Richard Lasser
J. Craig Stiles

Produced by George Kolber
Valerie Debler
Alexandra Guarnieri
Michelle Danner
Brian Drillingner

Starring Abigail Breslin
Ryan Phillippe
Luke Wilson
Emily VanCamp
Sebastian Quinn
Andy Garcia
Mireille Enos
Enrique

Miranda's Victim had its world premiere at the [Santa Barbara International Film Festival](#) on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 at the Arlington Theatre in Santa Barbara, California.^[16] It was released by [Vertical Entertainment](#) on October 6, 2023.^[17]

Reception

Critical response

On the [review aggregator](#) website [Rotten Tomatoes](#), 81% of 27 critics' reviews are positive, with an average rating of 7.0/10. The website's consensus reads: "Brought to life by a stellar cast, *Miranda's Victim* has a powerful message, albeit one that's occasionally undermined by its blunt approach to the issues."^[18]

Phil Hoad of [The Guardian](#) gave the film 4 out of 5 stars and stated, "Danner essentially pits the rights of the suspect and the victim in a tug of war for the film's centre ground." Hoad also wrote, "It is meatily performed across the entire ensemble, with the curt and resolute Breslin selflessly letting the legal eagles fly high."^[19]

Donald Liebenson of [RogerEbert.com](#) opined, "The script sometimes wields a heavy expository hand" and "The distinguished cast is uninformedly excellent in a film they clearly did not do for the money (one of the joys of the endangered mid-budget film)."^[20]

Patrice Witherspoon of [Screen Rant](#) noted, "Crucially, Danner gives her actors the space to excel in every moment, giving us a compelling final product that is worth the watch. Abigail Breslin certifies her talent with every tear shed while giving an equally amazing physical performance. Ryan Phillippe also returns to form with his cutthroat approach to his character John Flynn."^[21]

Olly Dyché of [MovieWeb](#) stated, "It sports an exceptional cast grounded by a fantastic performance from Abigail Breslin, as well as some gripping writing that will keep audiences hooked. Its production design is incredibly immersive, seamlessly sending audiences back in time to the '60s."^[22]

John Serba of [Decider](#) described *Miranda's Victim* as "a thoroughly absorbing film that ably dramatizes thorny political-personal entanglements." Serba also remarked, "Its intent is pure and its foundational performances – from Breslin, Wilson, Enos, Quinn, VanCamp – are rock-solid."^[23]

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	<div>Murciano</div> <div>Josh Bowman</div> <div>Brent Sexton</div> <div>Taryn Manning</div> <div>Kyle MacLachlan</div> <div>Donald Sutherland</div>
Cinematography	Pierluigi Malavasi
Edited by	Teferi Seifu
Music by	Holly Amber Church
Production company	Navesink River Productions
Distributed by	Vertical Entertainment
Release dates	February 8, 2023 (Santa Barbara) <div>October 6, 2023</div>
Running time	127 minutes ^[1]
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Language	English

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