

# The Wanting Mare

*The Wanting Mare* is a 2020 <u>science fiction</u> film written and directed by Nicholas Ashe Bateman.

#### **Plot**

In a <u>post-apocalyptic</u> realm called Anmaere, an annual drive ships wild horses from a rundown city called Whithren to another, far-off city, Levithen. Many denizens of Whithren hope to board the boat with the horses and travel to Levithen, which they believe holds a more promising future for them.

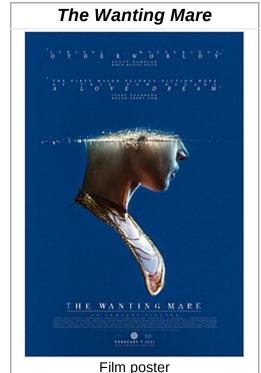
#### Cast

- Jordan Monaghan Moira
- Ashleigh Nutt young Moira
- Christine Kellogg-Darrin old Moira
- Nicholas Ashe Bateman young Lawrence
- Josh Clark old Lawrence
- Yasamin Keshtkar Eirah
- Edmond Cofie Hadeon
- Maxine Muster Elien

# **Development**

The Wanting Mare is Bateman's first feature-length film; he did not attend film school and worked independently on the film's development, part of which was funded through a campaign on the crowdsourcing website <a href="Indiegogo">Indiegogo</a>. Shane Carruth was involved with executive production for a time, but he removed his name from the project in 2020 after accusations of abuse against him were made public. Bateman shot much of the film in a storage unit in Paterson, New Jersey; other shots were filmed along the coast of the northeastern United States and in Nova Scotia, Canada. Canada.

# Reception



Directed by	Nicholas Ashe Bateman
Written by	Nicholas Ashe Bateman
Produced by	Nicholas Ashe Bateman, David A. Ross, Z. Scott Schaefer, Lawrence Inglee
Cinematography	David A. Ross
Edited by	Nicholas Ashe Bateman
Music by	Aaron Boudreaux
Distributed by	Gravitas Ventures
Release dates	May 22, 2020 ( <u>Chattanooga</u> <u>Film Festival</u> ) <sup>[1]</sup> February 5, 2021
	(United States) 89 minutes <sup>[2]</sup>

The film received a positive review from  $\underline{Wired}$ ,  $\underline{^{[7]}}$  and mixed reviews from  $\underline{IndieWire}$ ,  $\underline{^{[8]}}$   $\underline{RogerEbert.com}$ ,  $\underline{^{[9]}}$   $\underline{Variety}$ ,  $\underline{^{[3]}}$  and  $\underline{Polyaon}$ .

Country	United States
Language	English

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