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WEST VILLAGE NY BASED DIRECTOR

ANTONIO PADOVAN COMPLETES ROMANTIC COMEDY

“MIA” WITH RUTANYA ALDA

New York, NY – September 14, 2011 – Director **Antonio Padovan** has completed principal photography of his most recent film: **Mia**. With **Rutanya Alda** (*The Deer Hunter*, *Amityville II*, *Mommie Dearest*, and many others.)

When the extravagant and dreamy Mia, who has been traveling around the world for years, descends upon New York City to meet her old best friend Danny, she falls in love with the sweet and beautiful Andrea: Danny's girlfriend.

Danny sets them up as friends, but the attraction between the two girls soon becomes mutual.

When a girls night out ends up with an unexpected one night stand, both Andrea and Mia find themselves needing to deal with unfamiliar emotions.

Set in the fascinating and romantic West Village, Mia is a story about love and the fear of falling in love and getting hurt.



Rutanya Alda

While a relative newcomer to filmmaking, Antonio Padovan's films have been **accepted by nearly twenty film festivals**, and so far **he has earned four awards and one honorable mention**.

MIA was produced by the Italy based **Loading Lab Productions**, and will soon be entering the festival circuit.

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Mia

www.imdb.com/title/tt2028521/

produced by **Lucia Bellini Mariangela Scalzi**
Loading Lab Productions, Italy
directed by **Antonio Padovan**
direction of photography **Nicola Raggi**
written by **Matilde Ascheri**
edited by **Nicola Raggi**

with

Rutanya Alda

www.imdb.com/name/nm0017377/

Pamela Fila

www.imdb.com/name/nm3325157/

Linnea Larsdotter

www.imdb.com/name/nm4528758/

David Marcus

Jimmy Pravalis

www.imdb.com/name/nm3250460/

View the trailer at:

<http://vimeo.com/27230480>

Writer / Director Antonio Padovan is available for interview by appointment.

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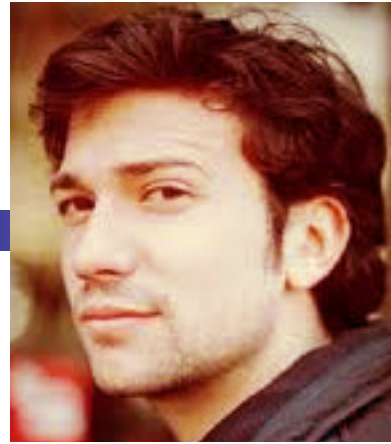
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Arriving in New York in 2007, Antonio's original goal was to work in architecture. He soon landed a job at a NY architectural firm, where he worked on several high profile projects.

Not content with architecture, he decided to learn filmmaking, enrolling at the New York Film Academy. His first film **Socks and Cakes**, went on to win a

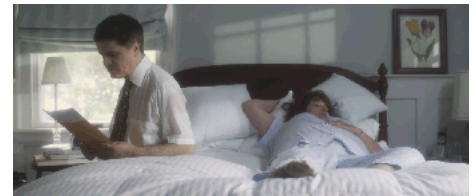
Golden Ace Award at the **2010 Las Vegas Film Festival**.

His next film **Perry St.** was **accepted by fourteen film festivals across the US, earning four awards and one honorable mention.**

He has since worked on six more films as production assistant, co-writer, sole writer and director.

Tillman (Director) Now complete, entering festival circuit.

The complex story of a father who has continued to procrastinate regarding important life decisions, and regrets the life (and family) he has ended up with.



MIA (Co-Writer & Director) Now complete, entering festival circuit.

Short Film, Loading Lab Productions (Italy)

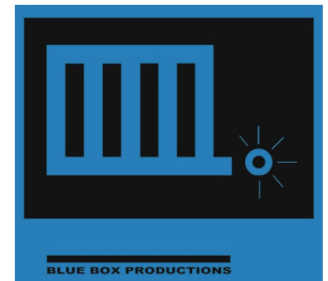
Mia is a romantic comedy about love, living and lust set against the backdrop of New York City's West Village district. Starring **Rutanya Alda** (*The Deer Hunter, Amityville II, Mommie Dearest, and many others.*)

Rutanya Alda

Pum-Rump-A-Pum-Pum (Director) In Post-Production

Short Film, BlueBox Productions

Adaptation from a short play produced by BlueBox Production about a lonely man forced to face his past on a cold and rainy New York Christmas Eve.



AmeriQua (Production Assistant) - Post Production

Feature Film, Produced by Marco Gualtieri and Man in Hat

AmeriQua is a fresh feature comedy written and starred in by **Bobby Kennedy III**, that transports the sweet debauchery of the classic American college-movie to the Renaissance jewel of Bologna, Italy. Starring **Alec Baldwin**.

Untitled 2011 Haunting Project (Co-Writer) In Pre-Production -- To be filmed Fall, 2011 (Under consideration as director.)

Feature Film, Cinema Image Productions,

Ghost Story about an attractive New York-based reporter that gets injured in Baltimore and requires medical attention.

Tomorrow (Writer & Director) Completed - Will be included soon in a dvd with a collection films about Taiwan from foreigners

Short Film (Part of a collection of films) (Shot in Taiwan)

An American-born Taiwanese girl faces her own marriage problems while discovering the country where her parents lived.



Perry St. (Writer & Director) Completed -
<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1709738/>

Entire Film:
<http://vimeo.com/24362906>

Student Film, **New York Film Academy Thesis Project**

Romantic comedy that revolves around the stories of Ryan and his therapist Elaine, their love lives and their attempts to solve their problems. Starring **Catherine Mary Stewart** (*The Last Starfighter, Night of The Comet, Weekend at Bernie's, etc...*)

Festivals and Awards:

New York City International Film Festival
Double Feature Competition New York City - WINNER - Best New York City Film
Big Apple Film Festival - Official Selection
CMJ Film Festival - Official Selection
Los Angeles Movie Awards - WINNER - Award of Excellence
Los Angeles Movie Awards - WINNER - Best Supporting Actress - Brittany Moore
Metropolitan Film Festival of New York - Honorable Mention
San Jose Short Film Festival - Official Selection
15 Minutes of Fame - Official Selection
Manhattan Film Festival - Official selection
West Chester International Short Film Festival - Official Selection
New Filmmakers New York - Official Selection
NYC Downtown Film Festival - Official Selection
Honolulu Film Awards - WINNER - Gold Kahuna Award
New Jersey International Film Festival - Official Selection
Hoboken Film Festival - Official Selection

Socks & Cakes (Writer & Director)
<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1675186/>

Short Film, New York Film Academy Project

(Based on the quality of this film, the New York Film Academy awarded Antonio a full scholarship.)

Bitter dramedy about the relationships between five ordinary people of different ages, backgrounds, cultures and tastes that find themselves together at a dinner party in Greenwich Village.



The short film won the **Golden Ace Award** at the **2010 Las Vegas Film Festival**.

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