

The Bridge of San Luis Rey Remastered Movie On Digital

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New York City, New York Jun 14, 2022 (Issuewire.com) - The Bridge of San Luis Rey Remastered © 2022 is a significant reworking of the film written and directed by Mary McGuckian and includes 40 minutes of previously unseen footage. Presented by Giant Pictures in North America it is now available on-demand in The US and Canada. HanWay represents the film for worldwide sales.

The international ensemble cast is led by F Murray Abraham, Kathy Bates, Gabriel Byrne, Geraldine Chaplin, Robert DeNiro, and Harvey Keitel with Pilar López de Ayala and Dominique Pinon supporting.

Based on Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning novel published to worldwide acclaim in 1927, the book has never been out of print. An American literary classic, it regularly rates high on lists of the 100 best American books of the 20th century and has been the basis of many film adaptations.

When the Bridge of San Luis Rey collapses, five travelers fall to their deaths. Was it destiny or the hand of God that brought them together at that fatal moment? A Franciscan Friar, *Gabriel Byrne*, witnesses the accident and on investigating the lives of those who died, *Kathy Bates*, *Adriana Dominguez*, *Mark*

Polish & Harvey Keitel, incur the wrath of the Spanish Inquisitor (Robert DeNiro).

'Either we live by accident and die by accident

Or we live by plan and die by plan'

Thornton Wilder 1927

McGuckian's original script envisioned a classic and timeless adaptation of the novel exploring Wilder's questioning of divine intervention with a universal treatise on the power of love in the face of mortality. The version of the film released in 2004 deviated so dramatically from that vision that she vowed to find a way to re-capture the rights and restore its integrity.

In collaboration with Windmill Lane Pictures, Pembridge secured the necessary rights to unarchive the film, and together they took on the painstaking work of digitizing the original negative, resynching the original recorded sound, recutting, re-confirming, regrading, reformatting, remixing and digitally remastering the film with 40 minutes of additional footage and a new score by Serge Colbert incorporating elements of the original.

Ironically, for a film conceived as an homage to a century of traditional filmmaking techniques, progress in digital post-production technology has made the undertaking possible. Of this version, McGuckian says: 'I hope new audiences will discover the divine knitting that Thornton Wilder so delicately interweaves through the stories of those characters tragically lost on their fall from the bridge to be as universally relevant as ever.'

'We are thrilled to play a part in releasing this film in the form it was intended to be seen', says Nick Savva of Giant Pictures. 'I'm delighted for the cast and crew who worked on the original product that they can now see their work respectfully restored to a version close to what we set out to make and that Giant Pictures is making *The Bridge of San Luis Rey Remastered* widely available to an American audience.' says McGuckian.

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Mary McGuckian has been producing, writing, and directing independent feature films for over twenty years. Her films have been presented and won awards at festivals worldwide including at Sundance and Tribeca in the US, Locarno, and Venice in Europe, and Edinburgh, London, and Galway in her home countries. Her 12th independent film, *A Girl from Mogadishu*, was released during COVID after winning the Cinema for Peace Foundation Women's Empowerment Award during the Berlin Film Festival of 2019. She is committed to dramatic storytelling from a female perspective.

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