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# VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

## Angela

[ANGLA] *Cinema of Our Time*

Italy, 2002, 95 min, Color, 35 mm

**DIR:** Roberta Torre

**EXEC PROD:** Roberto Alchimedede

**PROD:** Lierka Rusi, Rita Rusic

**SCR:** Roberta Torre

**CAM:** Daniele Cipri

**ED:** Roberto Missiroli

**MUS:** Andrea Guerra

**Cast:** Donatella Finocchiaro, Andrea Di Stefano,  
Mario Pupella



This film has been added to the VIFF schedule. It does not appear in the 2003 Souvenir Program Guide.

In Roberta Torre's gripping docudrama, the title character Angela runs a shoe market in a run-down Palermo neighbourhood, and is a trusted accomplice to her much older Mafioso husband, Saro's, illegitimate enterprises--even if many of his cohorts frown on a woman taking a hands-on role in the business. Angela thrives on the luxury, the money, and above all, the risk. Yet her thirst for passion leads her into the arms of her husband's handsome new right-hand man, and she soon finds herself in more trouble than she ever imagined. Still, she must uphold the ironclad rules of honour that bind mafia wives slavishly to their men. "A passionate story of adulterous love gains exotic fascination against the backdrop of Palermo's mafia, where the mob's unbreakable code of honor subs for fate in a Greek tragedy. Based on a true story and shot in actual locations by Roberta Torre, Angela succeeds where more superficial, action-oriented mafia pictures fail, creating a fully believable criminal microcosm in which the characters can be amusingly kitschy in their 1984-era striped suits and gold chains but still be emotionally credible. Daniele Cipri's unrelenting dark lighting makes a major contribution to the film's nervous, ever-wary camerawork, and stage thesp Donatella Finocchiaro, here making an outstanding screen debut, holds together the film's nervous energy with a tense balance of feelings and restraint."--Deborah Young, Variety

### Screening Schedule

Date	Time	Venue	Tickets
Mon, Oct 6	7:30 pm	Granville 7 Cinema 1	\$9.00
Wed, Oct 8	3:00 pm	Granville 7 Cinema 1	\$9.00