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Affection

Bulgaria

Source: Filmbulgaria. Direction: Lyudmil Staicov. Script: Alexander Karasimeonov. Photography: Boris Janakiev. Music: Simeon Pironkov. Leading Players: Violetta Doneva, Nevena Kocanova, Ivan Kondov.

Affection is a sad and beautiful drama that won the Grand Prize at this year's Moscow Film Festival. Set in contemporary Sofia, the story centers on a disturbed and sensitive young woman on the verge of a nervous breakdown. Her recuperation at a spa and the development of an ill-fated love affair become the basis for this delicate and exquisitely photographed work, the latest and best in a series of signals that the burgeoning Bulgarian cinema is on its way to becoming the most interesting and creative in all of Eastern Europe.

Short: **Visage**. John Gruenberger, San Francisco. 12 min.

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