



# Uncle Boonmee Who Can Recall His Past Lives

(ลุงบุญมีระลึกชาติ)

by Apichatpong Weerasethakul

2010, Thailand/ UK/ Germany/ France/ Spain

113 minutes

35mm, 1:1.85, Colour, Dolby SRD, Thai with English subtitles



PALME D'OR  
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**From the director of SYNDROMES AND A CENTURY, TROPICAL MALADY and BLISSFULLY YOURS.**

Suffering from acute kidney failure, Uncle Boonmee has chosen to spend his final days surrounded by his loved ones in the remote forest, an important place from his childhood and, he believes, the possible location of his former existences. Surprisingly, the ghost of his deceased wife appears to care for him, and the spirit of his long lost son returns. Contemplating the reasons for his illness, Boonmee treks through the jungle with his family to a mysterious hilltop cave -- the birthplace of his first life...

Eerie, poetic and masterful, *Uncle Boonmee Who Can Recall His Past Lives* is much more than an animist fable, creating an enchanted world where fauna and flora converge to convey a magical, sublime atmosphere.

★★★★★

**‘A gloriously worthy winner of the Palme d’Or... This is a visionary film in the director’s characteristic style: mysterious, dreamlike, gentle, quiet, magical...with a spiritual quality I can’t remember seeing in any film recently. *Uncle Boonmee* offers pleasure and heartbreak in equal measure.’**

Peter Bradshaw, *The Guardian*

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**‘...A fabulous weave of magic... his most accessible and most enchanted film to date’**

Sukhdev Sandhu, *The Daily Telegraph*

**‘... A masterpiece... Sometimes it takes the breath away. By the close it has invaded your brain and heart and soul.’**

Nigel Andrews, *Financial Times*

## CAST

Thanapat Saisaymar - Uncle Boonmee  
Jenjira Pongpas - Jen  
Sakda Kaewbuadee - Tong  
Natthakarn Aphaiwonk - Huav (Boonmee's Wife)  
Geerasak Kulhong - Boonsong (Boonmee's Son)

## CREW

**Screenplay:** Apichatpong Weerasethakul  
**Producers:** Simon Field, Keith Griffiths and Apichatpong Weerasethakul  
**Co-Producers:** Charles de Meaux, Michael Weber, Hans W. Geissendoerfer, Luis Miñarro  
**Directors of Photography:** Sayombhu Mukdeeprom, Yukontorn Mingmongkon, Charin Pengpanich  
**Sound Design:** Akritchalerm Kalayanamitr, Shimizu Koichi  
**Editor:** Lee Chatametikool  
**Production Design:** Akekarat Homlaor  
**Set Design:** Nitipong Thintubthai  
**Costume Design:** Chatchai Chaiyon  
**Special Make-up:** Achawan Pupawan  
**Line Producer:** Suchada Sirithanawuddhi