

## **An Episode In The Life of an Iron Picker**

Directed by Danis Tanovic

Bosnia and Herzegovina / France / Slovenia 2013, 75 min

Bosnian with English subtitles



**Jury award, Berlin Film Festival 2013**

A Roma family lives far from the urban centres of Bosnia-Herzegovina. The father Nazif salvages metal from old cars and sells it to a scrap-dealer. The mother Senada keeps the house tidy, cooks, bakes and cares for their two small daughters. One day, she feels a sharp pain in her abdomen. At the hospital she is told there is something wrong with the baby she is carrying: "They say it's dead." She is at risk of septicaemia and they must operate immediately. But Senada has no medical insurance; since the operation will cost much more than the family can afford the hospital's head refuses to treat her. A race against time together with a mounting sense of hopelessness played by a cast of non-professional actors re-enacting an episode from their own lives.

### **'an affecting tale'**

Geoff Andrew, *Sight and Sound*

#### **CAST**

Senada Alimanović **Senada**

Nazif Mujić **Nazif**

Sandra Mujić **Sandra**

Šemsa Mujić **Šemsa**

#### **CREW**

**Writer / Director:** Danis Tanović

**Producers:** Amra Bakšić Čamo, Čedomir Kolar

**Co-producer:** Danijel Hočevar

**Director of Photography:** Erol Zubčević

**Editor:** Timur Makarević

**Sound Designer / Mixer:** Samir Fočo

**Line Producers:** Adis Đapo, Adnan Beširović