

Movie: DRIVE

2 Nicholas Winding Refn's breathtaking *Drive* sees Ryan Gosling as a reserved Hollywood stunt driver with an interesting side profession. Drifting through life and assisting with heist type getaways, the nameless driver becomes romantically involved with Irene (Carey Mulligan) and dangerously with Bernie Rose (Albert Brooks) through business. Beyond the visual aesthetics and determined narrative stands an unforgettable 80s sounding synthesized soundtrack. Highly lauded by scores of critics and thousands of cinephiles alike, *Drive* was rightly one of the most acclaimed films of 2011. Painfully overlooked by the Academy, *Drive* is beyond Oscar worthy and a multiple must see.

~ James Madden