

Membership Outreach Event: *Tomandote (Two For Tea)* Directed By Isabel Gardela

NYWIFT is pleased to present a screening of *Tomandote (Two For Tea)* as part of this year's Indo-American Arts Council (IAAC) Film Festival: The Indian Diaspora. A dark romantic comedy, *Tomandote* tells the story of Gabi, a 30-year-old writer, who returns to Barcelona to pick up a prestigious award for erotic literature after experiencing three years of life on the edge in Madrid. Gabi ultimately falls in love with Jalil, an Indian Muslim; their cultural and religious differences are magnified when he visits his family in India.



Still from *Tomandote*.

Tomandote marks the feature-film debut of Spain's **Isabel Gardela**. She graduated with a philosophy degree from the University of Barcelona, and earned a masters degree in scriptwriting. Gardela made her directorial debut in 1988 with *No Obrís Mai la Porta a un Cec*, and has directed several short and medium-length films, including *J.V.* (1993), *Caps* (1995), *L'Olfacte* (a sketch of the feature *El Domini dels Sentits*, 1996) and *Sota el Signe de...* (an episode of the TV series *Sagitari: On Estrenem*, 1998).

Following the screening, there will be an opportunity to meet the production team, and cast members Zack Quereshi and Nuria Prims. **Muriel (Mike) Peters** will moderate a discussion with the filmmaker.

Peters, a filmmaker who lived and made movies in India for many years, is responsible for coordinating major film festivals in the U.S. that showcase Indian films. She is on the Board of Directors of Women in Film and Television International and is chairwoman of the International Committee of NYWIFT. Previously, she was the director of the Film Department of the Asia Society, and in charge of media for the Indo-US Subcommittee on Education and Culture.

You won't want to miss this thought-provoking screening and discussion!

Event produced by NYWIFT Membership Committee member Maya Brajdic, NYWIFT intern Wilma Ann Anderson and Next Wave member Dina Daoud.

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Saturday, November 9th • Screening 3 p.m.
Clearview Cinema • 239 East 59th Street (between 2nd and 3rd Avenues)
\$10 to NYWIFT members • \$15 to Nonmembers
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NYWIFT members are invited to attend the Gala Opening Night Reception, Opening Screening, and Closing Screening.
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