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TOTAL RUNNING TIME:  
111 minutes



## SYNOPSIS

When the eviscerated body of a boy is found in the trash heaps of a thirteen-hectare dumpsite, nobody cares enough to notice. A news report might pick up the story, but when the victim is a nameless, faceless kid from a poor community – is anybody watching?

Father Gus Saenz, a forensic anthropologist and a Jesuit, finds himself caught up in the case as an alarming number of preteen boys turn up in the dumpsite. Father Gus and his colleague Father Jerome have the help of a journalist, Joanna Bonifacio, as they investigate the murders through the cramped urban landscape of Manila.

Based on the award-winning novel by F.H Batacan, *Smaller and Smaller Circles* illustrates the best and worst of human nature: the antiseptic and dirty, the sublime and rotten, the hellish and divine.

## AWARDS/FESTIVALS

- **OFFICIAL SELECTION** – Busan Int'l Film Festival 2017

## REVIEWS

"...Raya Martin generates an impressive amount of suspense, but he also stops to consider larger issues in his country's recent history."

– Ben Sachs, *Chicago Reader*

"Impeccable form and deep-seated social commentary make up for the plot trappings of Raya Martin's adaptation of the Philippines' "first crime novel."

– Tristan Zinampan, *Screen Anarchy*

**GENRE:** Crime Noir-Thriller

**DIRECTOR:** Raya Martin

**CAST:** Nonie Buencamino, Sid Lucero, Carla Humphries, Bambol Roco

## EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS:

Fernando Ortigas, E.A. Rocha, Bronwen Hruska, Juliet Grames

## CO-EXECUTIVE PRODUCERS:

Vincent Nebrida, Kevin Foxe, Andrea Pasion-Flores

**PRODUCER:** Ria Limjap

**CO-PRODUCER:** Moira Lang

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