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from the director  
of "nightwatch",  
"the substitute" and  
"just another love story"

bavaria film international presents

a film by **ole bornedal**

# deliver us from evil

there are no evil people - only people who lack love



WRITTEN AND DIRECTED BY **OLE BORNEDAL** · LINE PRODUCER **TINA WINHOLT** · DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY **DAN LAUSTSEN DFF** · PRODUCTION DESIGN **ANDERS ENGELBRECHT** · EDITED BY **ANDERS VILLADSEN**

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## synopsis

### short synopsis

Violence erupts in a small town when a drunken truck driver, Lars, runs over a local woman and pins the blame on the town's Bosnian refugee. When Lars' brother Johannes stands up for the man and gives him shelter, Lars and his friends head for Johannes' secluded house, armed with a shotgun and boundless rage ...

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Lars and Johannes are brothers with very little in common. Johannes is a high-powered lawyer with a beautiful wife and two children; Lars is a truck driver and a drunken brute who beats his girlfriend. Having returned to his hometown in the country, Johannes hopes for a less hectic, more genuine lifestyle. But trouble is underfoot when Lars runs over a woman in a moment of inattention. He sees only one way out: put the blame on the Bosnian refugee Alain, whose post-traumatic stress has impaired his mental functions. But when Lars, the God-fearing husband of the victim, Ingvar, and their friends close in on the Bosnian, Johannes stands up for the hard-working man and brings him home with him. Undeterred, the violent, drunken horde makes their way to Johannes' secluded house, in which Johannes, his wife, his children and Alain all fear for their lives. When words no longer suffice to contain the madness, a siege begins, in which unchained anarchy dictates a scenario of terror ...

With a critical nod to American cinematography and religious myths, Ole Bornedal depicts a European version of xenophobia in a disquieting social thriller reminiscent of New Hollywood.

Best known for his chilling international hit 'Nightwatch', Bornedal is at his genre filmmaking best in this harrowing allegory on hatred in an archetypal small Danish town.



# ole bornedal writer and director

## director's statement

'Deliver Us From Evil' was first of all born out of the love for the classical American film, where the sheriff is beleaguered in his prison while trying to protect the horse thief against the furious lynch mobs outside. The topic of 'siege' has always been fascinating: the innocent individual against the mob, common sense against blind hatred, reason against instinct, light against darkness. | Ole Bornedal |

## biography

Ole Bornedal is Denmark's most internationally renowned director. His breakthrough came with the thriller 'Night Watch' (1994), which he wrote and directed. A few years later he helmed the English-language remake of 'Night Watch', starring Ewan McGregor, Nick Nolte and Patricia Arquette.

His film 'I am Dina', which, to this day, is the largest Scandinavian film production, premiered in 2002 to much acclaim. The film received numerous awards at various international film festivals around the world and was nominated for eight Robert Awards, of which it won five. Ole Bornedal has since directed the award-winning adventure thriller 'The Substitute', featuring Paprika Steen, and 'Just Another Love Story', starring Anders W. Berthelsen and Nikolaj Lie Kass.

## filmography

- 2009** Deliver us from Evil (Fri os fra det onde)
- 2007** Just another Love Story (Kaerlighed pa film)
- 2007** The Substitute (Vikaren)
- 2002** I am Dina (Jag ar Dina)
- 1997** Nightwatch
- 1994** Nattevagten (Nightwatch)



## cast

Johannes **Lasse Rimmer**  
Pernille **Lene Nystrøm**  
Viola **Fanny Bornedal**  
Frederik **Jacob August Ottensten**  
Ingvar **Mogens Pedersen**  
Anna **Lone Lindorff**  
Lars **Jens Andersen**  
Scarlett **Pernille Vallentin**  
Alain **Bojan Navojec**

## crew

Writer | Director **Ole Bornedal**  
Producer **Michael Obel**  
Co-Producer **Hans Lønnerheden**  
Line Producer **Tina Winholt**  
Director of Photography **Dan Laustsen DFF**  
Editor **Anders Villadsen**  
Sound Editor **Nino Jacobsen**  
Music **Stefan Nilsson, Johan Liljedal**  
Production Design **Anders Engelbrecht**  
Costume Design **Ole Kofoed**  
Make-Up Design **Louise Hauberg**



## production



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