

Press Kit
50 or Two whales meet at the beach (2020) Dir. Jorge Cuchí.

Title: 50 or Two whales meet at the beach.
Director: Jorge Cuchí
Screenplay: Jorge Cuchí
Producers: Verónica Valadez P., Hari Sama, Laura Berrón
Production company: Catatonia Cine
Cinematography: José Casillas, AMC
Length: 122 min.
Format: Digital
Edition: Victor González Fuentes
Genre: Drama
Country: Mexico
Language: Spanish
Cast: José Antonio Toledano as Félix.
Karla Coronado as Elisa.
Music: Giorgio Giampà

Synopsis:

Félix and Elisa, both 17, meet while playing the Blue Whale Game, fall in love and decide to face the game's final challenge together: suicide.

Director's Biography:

After 25 years working in advertising, having worked on over a thousand commercials for both film and television, as well as receiving numerous national and international awards for his ad campaigns, Jorge currently works as a consultant on marketing and advertising projects, as well as developing film projects. *50 or Two Whales Meet at the Beach*, will be his first feature film as both writer and director. *50 or Two whales meet at the beach* won two of the most important awards at 32 CinéLatino Rencontres de Toulouse: Special Award From Cine+ En Construcción and the Award for Films in Progress Toulouse. This film was also selected for the 35th Venice International Film Critic's week.

Director's Note:

When people decide to commit suicide, it is not because they want to put an end to their lives, but because they want to put an end to their sadness. *50 (or two whales meet at the beach)* tells the story of Felix and Elisa, two kids who came to life inside my head with an overpowering desire to end their short and sad lives; two young lovers who, surrounded by Good Absent Some and Evil Present Others, play a suicide game that pushes them to live and love with intensity for whatever remains of their

ruined (by others, as always) lives, thru the accomplishment of 50 challenges in 50 days. Some people have said to me that my film is sort of a nihilistic adventure. I could agree to that.

Cast

José Antonio Toledano (Felix)

José Antonio Toledano began his acting career by taking stage and musical comedy workshops at the Luces de Bohemia Forum in Mexico City. He has participated in plays such as *Corona de amor y muerte* by Alejandro Casona and musicals such as *Godspell* and *Grease*. In 2000, he started a successful career in voice dubbing and is known for being the voice of Finn in *Adventure Time*, Parzaival in *Ready Player One*, Ekko in the videogame *League of Legends* as well as being the recurring voice dubber for Jaden Smith and Nat Wolff. He has also worked in television and film, including Hari Sama's *This Is Not Berlin* and *50 or Two whales meet at the Beach* by Jorge Cuchí. In 2015 he started studying photography and is currently taking film courses at Churubusco Studios.

Karla Coronado (Elisa)

Karla Coronado was born in the city of Hermosillo. Sonora, Mexico she studied at UNAM in the University Theater Center. She's one of the newest faces from Mexican cinema thanks to her performances in films such as: *Gloria* (2014) Dir. Christian Keller, *Desire* (2016) Dir. Eduardo Clorio, *As you are, I was* (2017) Dir. German Quintero. She has also acted in T.V series such as: *Hasta que te Conocí* (2016), *La hija Pródiga* (2017-2018), *Three Miracles* (2011-2012). Her latest acting roll is in *50 or Two whales meet at the beach* (2020) Dir. Jorge Cuchi which will have its premiere at the 35th Venice International Film Critics' Week.