

A Different Evening
International Film Club at Ahmedabad University
(In Memory of Prof. Niranjan Bhagat)

Date: **February 14, 2020, Friday.**

Time: 8:30 p.m.

Venue: Ahmedabad University Auditorium,
GICT Building, Near M G Science College.



Name of the Film: **Joker** (Written by Todd Phillips + Scott Silver)

Date of Release: October 04, 2019 (Yet to be released in India)

Director: Todd Phillips (4 Oscar Nominations + Other 10 Awards + 33 Nominations)

Cinematography: Lawrence Sher

Music: Hildur Guðnadóttir

Genre: Crime, Drama, Thriller

Duration: 122 minutes

Awards: (11 Oscar Nominations + Other 51 Awards + 149 Nominations – in 2019)

Also known as: Guasón

Actors:

Joaquin Phoenix (4 Oscar Nominations + Other 54 Awards + 162 Nominations)

Robert De Niro (2 Oscar Awards + Other 57 Awards + 128 Nominations)

Zazie Beetz (Primetime Emmy Nomination + Other 4 Nominations)

Frances Conroy (Golden Globe Winner + Other 4 Awards + 24 Nominations)

Audio Language: **English** Subtitles: **English**

Colour: Colour

Aspect Ratio: 16:9 High Definition (720p)

About the film:

In Gotham City, mentally troubled comedian Arthur Fleck is disregarded and mistreated by society. He then embarks on a downward spiral of revolution and bloody crime. This path brings him face-to-face with his alter-ego: the Joker.

Warner Brothers writes: Joker centres around an origin of the iconic arch nemesis and is an original, standalone story not seen before on the big screen. Todd Phillips' exploration of Arthur Fleck, a man disregarded by society is not only a gritty character study, but also a broader cautionary tale.

Arthur Fleck is a wannabe stand-up comic who suffers from many mental illnesses, including one which causes him to laugh uncontrollably when he is nervous, and often gets him into bad situations. Arthur's mental health causes almost all people in society to reject and look down upon him, even though all he wants is to be accepted by others. After being brutally beaten, having his medication cut off, Arthur's life begins to spiral downward out-of-control into delusions, violence, and anarchy until he eventually transforms into Gotham's infamous Clown-Prince of Crime.

Trivia about the Film:

The first R rated movie in history to make \$1 billion dollars.

Todd Phillips won the Venice film festival's prize, the Golden Lion, for Best Film.

According to Todd Phillips, Joaquin Phoenix "lost his composure on the set, sometimes to the bafflement of his co-stars." "In the middle of the scene, he'll just walk away and walk out," Phillips said. "And the poor other actor thinks it's them and it was never them - it was always him, and he just wasn't feeling it." "One person Phoenix never walked out on was Robert De Niro. Robert De Niro told The Times that Phoenix was a "consummate professional" when they were on set together. "Joaquin was very intense in what he was doing, as it should be, as he should be," De Niro said.

The film received the highest number of Oscar nominations during the current year.

Tagline: Put on a happy face, no-matter-what.

Caution: The film has some violent scenes that may upset the audience.