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

Date: May 26, 2023, Friday.

Time: 8:30 p.m.

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



Name of the Film: The Gathering Storm

Date of Release: April 27, 2002

**Director: Richard Loncraine (Primetime Emmy + 8 Other Awards + 14 Nominations)** 

Music: Howard Goodall (Primetime Emmy + 2 Other Awards + 4 Nominations)
Cinematography: Peter Hannan (BAFTA Winner +2 Other Award + 2 Nominations)

Genre: Biography, Drama, History Duration: 1 Hour 36 Minutes

Awards: 3 Primetime Emmys + 21 Other Awards + 31 Nominations

Also known as: Tormenta en ciernes

## **Actors:**

Albert Finney (5 Oscar Nominations + 28 Other Awards + 53 Nominations)
Venessa Redgrave (Oscar Winner + 52 Other Awards + 85 Nominations)
Jim Broadbent (Oscar Winner + 24 Other Awards + 56 Nominations)
Tom Wilkinson (2 Oscar Nominations + 25 Other Awards + 75 Nominations)

Audio Language: English Subtitles: English

Colour: Colour

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

## About the film:

Winston Churchill's wilderness years prior to World War II, when only he could see the threat that Adolf Hitler and a rearmed Germany posed to Europe.

## Trivia:

In 2016, Mark Lawson ranked this movie for The Guardian as the most memorable portrayal of Winston Churchill and praised Albert Finney's "meticulous preparation" for the role.

The cast includes two Oscar winners: Vanessa Redgrave and Jim Broadbent; and two Oscar nominees: Albert Finney and Tom Wilkinson.

Churchill's car, first seen at the beginning, is a 1938 Daimler Twenty-Four limousine (model EL24). It had a six-cylinder 3.3L engine producing all of 24 horsepower.

The play the Churchills attend at the end of the film is "Private Lives" by Noël Coward, first produced in 1930 and contains the song "Some Day I'll Find You".

Ralph Wigram, C.M.G. (the Foreign Office secretary who provided information on clandestine German rearmament) was one of four leading individuals amongst a group of around twenty who assisted Sir Winston Churchill in this manner.

Actor Albert Finney was five-times nominated for Academy Awards in 1964, 1975, 1984, 1985 and 2001. He won two BAFTA Awards in 1961 and 2004. True to his working-class roots, he spurned a CBE in 1980 and a knighthood in 2000, later explaining his decision by stating that the 'Sir thing' "slightly perpetuates one of our diseases in England, which is snobbery". He was in the same class with Peter O'Toole at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA).

On January 30, 1937, renowned theatre actor Michael Redgrave was performing in a production of Hamlet in London. During the curtain call, the show's lead, Laurence Olivier, announced to the audience: "tonight a great actress was born". This was in reference to his co-star's newborn daughter, Vanessa Redgrave. Venessa (wife of actor Franco Nero) has worked with all three of her children professionally on numerous occasions and in her mid-90s she still works regularly on television, film and theatre, delivering time and time again great performances.

Tag line: Germany was arming itself for war. But they didn't count on one man.