

THE WAY HE LOOKS

LEONARDO'S EVERYDAY LIFE, THE RELATIONSHIP WITH HIS BEST FRIEND, GIOVANA, AND THE WAY HE SEES THE WORLD CHANGE COMPLETELY WITH THE ARRIVAL OF A NEW BOY AT SCHOOL

This beautifully shot film is based on the 2010 short film *I Don't Want to Go Back Alone*. The actors of this 17 minutes short: Guilherme Lobo, Tess Amorim, Fabio Audi reprise their roles as three school friends in *The Way He Looks*.

The film tackles the subject of a blind 15 year old who wants to exert his independence while his parents and best female friend try to shelter him. While his classmates talk about boy friends and girlfriends he longs for his first kiss.

Daniel Ribeiro both directed this quietly moving film and wrote the brilliant screenplay. Immediately he draws you into the story as you watch blind teenager Leonardo (Guilherme Lobo) deal with both verbal and physical bullying by a group of male classmates. You totally understand why his best friend Giovana (Tess Amorim) takes on the role as his protector. As

you watch how Leonardo yearns for independence and want him to grow you also understand why his parents feel the need to protect him.

Ribeiro crafts the film in a way that you become emotionally involved in the youth's life. Although the story is Leonardo's, Ribeiro shows you other characters' point of view and further involves you in this coming of age drama.

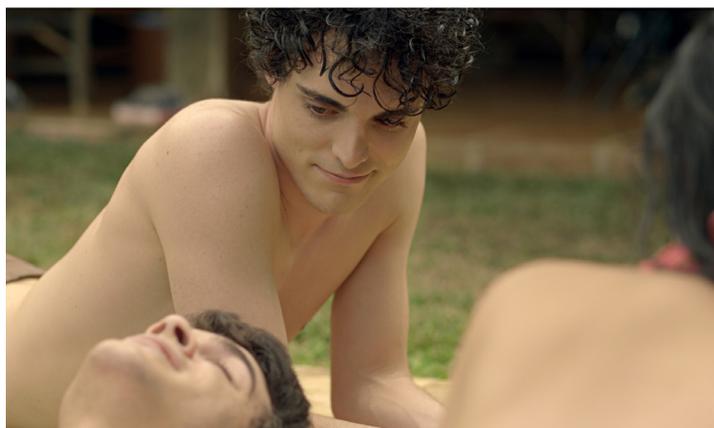
When a new handsome student Gabriel (Fabio Audi) appears in the classroom Giovanni

immediately develops a crush on him. The drama later intensifies when the teacher asks the students to pair up with a same sex classmate for a class project and Gabriel asks Leonardo to be his study partner.

A new world opens up for Leonardo as Gabriel

turns the classical music lover on to contemporary music. He begins to exert his independence as he bonds his new male friend. One of the most sensual scenes in the film shows Leonardo lying in bed hugging and breathing in the scent of the sweatshirt Gabriel left at his house. The friendship then becomes a love triangle between the three friends.

The Way He Looks is a perfect movie. Ribeiro has created a film that tells a heartwarming story of a likeable protagonist struggling with everyday life that should appeal to all types of audiences.
-Sharlene Celeskey



DETAILS

12:15 pm on Sunday, January 25

Running time: 96 minutes

Director and Writer: Daniel Ribeiro

Genre: Drama

Cast: Guilherme Lobo, Tess Amorim, Fabio Audi, Lucia Romano, Eucir de Souza