



PAST LIVES

24th
Year!

Autumn
Season
2023

Release: 2023

Cert (UK): 12A, F

Country: South Korea

Language: In English and Korean with English subtitles

Runtime: 1 hour 45 mins

Director: Celine Song

Written by: Celine Song

Cinematographer: Shabier Kirchner

Cast: Greta Lee, Teo Yoo and John Magaro



A love story across two decades and two continents, which might make you cry with joy or sadness...Na Young leaves Korea (and her friend Hae Sung) with her parents as a young girl, bound for Canada. She rekindles the relationship on Skype, 12 years later, now called Nora, but life gets in the way. Another 12 years go by, she is living in New York and married to Arthur when Hae Sung comes to visit...will they reconnect, or will life and Arthur win out? This is not a conventional love triangle—there are no baddies here, just a woman with many 'what-ifs' and two distinct lives.

'Past Lives' feels so deliciously restrained that it makes even quiet dramas seem histrionic. And yet it's a wide emotional field that gives its characters room to breathe. For all its bittersweetness, it's also a deeply satisfying experience that deals with intimate subjects in global terms. Or maybe the other way around? Either way, if 'Past Lives' isn't 2023's best film, we're in for an incredible year of cinema' - John Wenzel, Denver Post.

Greta Lee, who plays Nora is made for the part, being a Korean who has living in the States for most of her life; the film made her go through similar emotions.

'Lee and her co-star Teo Yoo are electric together, conveying an excess of feelings both unspoken and not fully understood through their graceful exchange of looks and dialogue' - Trace Sauveur, Austin Chronicle.

