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BEYOND WHAT REMAINS

Más Allá de lo Que Queda

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WHO: **Beyond What Remains - Más Allá de lo Que Queda (Feature, 96 minutes, Spanish language) World Premiere at the 2016 Newport Beach International Film Festival.**
Produced by: Peter Tharos. Executive Producer: Andrea Lee Fonseca,. Producer: Glenn MacIntosh. Directed by Peter Tharos and Bassel Martin. Cast: **Peter Tharos** (My Big Fat Greek Wedding 1 & 2), **Nora Median Chávez**. Special Appearance (in the film) by 3-time Silver Ariel Award winner for Best Actress, **Patricia Reyes Spindola** (Griselda on Fear the Walking Dead Season 1, episodes 1 to 4).

WHEN: **Sunday, April 24, 8:15 pm**

WHERE: **Island Cinemas (4), Fashion Island, 999 Newport Center Dr, Newport Beach**
Q&A with Producer, Co-Director, Lead Actor, Peter Tharos to follow screening.

April 19, 2016, Newport Beach, CA -- A family secret and his father's last wish compel a conflicted funeral director to embark on a transformative quest across remote Mexican landscapes with a street-hardened woman he's never known -- but who knows him.

Produced from Canada and shot on location in Mexico City and distant locales. Gorgeous, picturesque black and white cinematography. A courageous absence of dialogue through its first 15 minutes. An inspired score, both delightful and poignant. And a profound, emotional climax. Beyond What Remains is a rare achievement in, and call to awaken to, the art of the possible.

FERNANDO (Peter Tharos) runs a funeral home business in Mexico City, handed down to him through three generations. He's accustomed to the grief of strangers. But not his own. Not when he has to prepare his father's corpse for cremation. And not when his discovery of a family secret calls into question so much about the past.

Compelled to honor his father's last wish, he tracks down TERESA (Nora Medina Chávez), a street-hardened woman he's never known. Despite their palpable contempt for each other, he agrees to drive her (in the cramped quarters of his unreliable VW Bug) to meet up with her daughter in an unmapped mountain village "about two hours away". Or so he's led to believe.

After days of wrong turns and detours across remote, hostile landscapes, their predicament grows treacherous, and Fernando and Teresa must confront their demons, the past, and each other to have any hope to even survive. But if they can somehow reach their destination, the revelations that await them could transform their relationship -- and their lives -- ever after.

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