

My Uncle Rafael cheat sheet

Logline:

An old Armenian uncle is cast in a reality TV show where he has one week to save an American family from falling apart.

Short synopsis.

A desperate TV producer convinces an old Armenian Uncle to star in a new reality show. Cultures collide when Uncle Rafael is thrown into the Schumacher family household where he has one week to save a broken and dysfunctional American family from falling apart. The only rule--everyone must follow his rules.

CAST & AWARDS:

An award-winning family film, My Uncle Rafael is the first American comedy in history to use an Armenian as a lead character. It stars top Hollywood comedy players JOHN MICHAEL HIGGINS (Yes Man, Happily Divorced), MISSI PYLE (The Artist, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory), Anthony Clark (Yes, Dear), Joe Lo Truglio (Role Models), Carly Chaikin (Suburgatory), Rachel Blanchard (Clueless), Lupe Ontiveros (Real Women Have Curves), Austin Butler (The Carrie Diaries), Sage Ryan (Pirhanna) to round out the cast, with an award-winning performance by Vahik Pirhamzei as Uncle Rafael.

At various international film festivals, My Uncle Rafael has won the coveted Audience Award, Best Director, Best Screenplay and Breakthrough Performance Award for Vahik Pirhamzei for playing both father and son as Uncle Rafael and Hamo.

QUOTES/REVIEWS:

"Rafael...elicits plenty of goofy chuckles. A largely fertile playground for the picture's comic ensemble." --Los Angeles Times

"...a sweet and often funny creation." --New York Times

"A heartfelt message about America's great melting pot...a wildly humorous movie." – Yerevan Magazine

THEATRICAL RELEASE:

My Uncle Rafael had a national, multi-city theatrical release, breaking records for most consecutive sold out shows at Pacific and AMC Theaters

FACTOID:

The award-winning film is based on popular Armenian stage franchise that performed all over the world.

FILM FESTIVALS

*Official Selection Boston International Film Festival

*Winner, Audience Award, Toronto's Pomegranate International Film Festival

*Winner, Best Director, Arpa International Film Festival

*Winner, Best Screenplay, Arpa International Film Festival

*Winner, Breakthrough Performance for Vahik Pirhamzei as Uncle Rafael, Arpa International Film Festival

*Official Selection Hamilton International Film Festival