

A CHIARA



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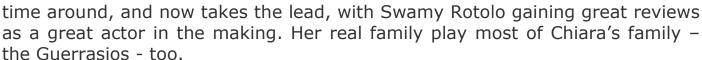
Runtime: 2 hour 1 mins

Directed by: Jonas Carpignano **Written by:** Jonas Carpignano **Cinematography:** Tim Curtin

Cast: Swamy Rotolo, Pio Amato, Susanna Amato

This is the third part of a loose Calibrian trilogy by director Jonas Carpignano. 'At once a coming-of-age story and a mafia thriller, 'A Chiara' takes a look at organized crime in Southern Italy from the unique perspective of a teenage girl, Chiara (Swamy Rotolo). Her world is turned upside down after her father disappears and she tumbles down the rabbit hole after him, discovering he's a member of the 'Ndrangheta crime syndicate' – Katie Walsh, The Wrap.

Taking non-professional actors in the first 2 parts, he extends their roles here: Chiara was a side character last





Kate Walsh continues - 'Carpignano immerses us into the world of the Guerrasio family at Giulia's 18th birthday party. It's a long, joyous, and celebratory scene, detailing all the small family dynamics, the loving rivalry between Chiara and Giulia, the close relationship the girls have with their father, who is a quiet, but proud man, and introduces the low-stakes conflict that is Chiara's uncles threatening to out her to her father as a smoker.

The party scene lulls the audience into a sense of warm safety, a bubble that's pierced dramatically, in an almost surreal fashion, when Chiara, curious about comings and

goings at her house later that night, wanders into the street and witnesses a car bombing. There's Chiara before the explosion and Chiara after the explosion, and she'll never go back to who she was before'...