

On the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Polish Social and Cultural Association Ltd.



Invite you to a special preview of a new Romantic Thriller

Directed by the Oscar® winning producer of TSOTSI

Peter (Piotr) Fudakowski



Sunday, 9th March 2014, at 5pm

POSK Theatre, 238-246 King Street, London W6 0RF

Following the screening, there will be a Q&A session with the director Peter Fudakowski and prof. Robert Hampson, Conrad scholar and critic.

Peter Fudakowski, who produced the Academy Award-winning foreign language film *Tsotsi* in 2005, has directed *Secret Sharer*, a romantic thriller inspired by the Joseph Conrad short story and will be previewing the film to selected audiences prior to its national release in June.

Secret Sharer charts a young sea captain's maturing as he encounters challenging human relationships and a beautiful fugitive during an epic voyage from the Gulf of Thailand to Shanghai.

The film stars Jack Laskey (Sherlock Holmes; A Game of Shadows; Endeavour) and Zhu Zhu (Cloud Atlas).

Peter Fudakowski said, *"I'm looking forward to coming to POSK Theatre to talk to the audience about my directorial debut. Questions from an audience of film lovers are always stimulating for filmmakers, and often testing. Changing from producer to director has been a major life experience, one that I would like to share with the POSK audience."*

Peter will be joined by prof. Robert Hampson, Conrad scholar and critic, professor of Modern Literature at Royal Holloway, University of London and his wife, Henrietta Fudakowski, the film's script editor.

Joanna Młodzińska, POSK Chairman said, *"We are delighted that Peter Fudakowski will present his new film at POSK. We are always looking to host exciting and original events that will appeal to our audience and we think they will really be in for a treat with this special preview and talk from an Oscar winner. The screening and the opportunity to talk to the producer, script writer and director, Peter Fudakowski and Conrad scholar and critic, prof. Robert Hampson, will be one of the most interesting events at POSK this season."*

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Tickets: www.secretsharer-posk.eventbrite.co.uk

£10, school children and students - **£8**, youth groups of more than 5 persons - **£6** per person

For more information please call: **0207 255 1650**
Monday to Friday between 10am and 6pm

www.secretsharerthemovie.com

Running time: 103 mins

Certificate: 12A

Synopsis

A young sea captain's future is transformed as he encounters mutiny, adventure and a beautiful fugitive in this romantic thriller set during an epic voyage to Shanghai.

A contemporary romantic thriller set on the South China Sea, inspired by Joseph Conrad's "The Secret Sharer". A young Polish captain is bribed by a Chinese ship owner to scuttle his first command, a rusting cargo ship in an insurance scam. When his mutinous crew abandon ship, the captain is left alone on board, helpless, anchored in a bay. That night while waiting anxiously on deck, he finds a naked body floating in the sea below, tangled up in the ship's rope ladder. Pulling the ladder, the captain discovers a Chinese woman in distress. She climbs on board, saying only "Hide me". Dawn comes a few hours later and so does a search party, looking for a murderer.

About Peter Fudakowski

Peter Fudakowski is a film producer, writer and director. *Secret Sharer* is Peter's first feature film as a director. He started writing screenplays in 1994 and has developed many feature film projects, including *Secret Sharer*, together with script editor and wife, Henrietta. *Tsotsi* (2005), which was Peter's first film as sole creative producer, won the Oscar for Best Film in a Foreign Language in 2006.

Peter (Piotr) Fudakowski was born of Polish parents in London. Peter graduated with a Masters degree in Economics from Cambridge University and an MBA from the European Institute for Business Administration (INSEAD) Fontainebleau.

Peter set up his own production company with Henrietta as script editor and head of development. Their company, Premiere Productions Ltd, celebrated its 20th year in the film business with the Academy Award-winning *Tsotsi*. Peter was also nominated for the Most Promising Newcomer (Producer) at the 2006 BAFTA awards.
