

FILM: THE NICE GUYS

FDG RATING: 3.2

Film Discussion Group (FDG) Scale is 1-5 (5 is best)

Shane Black: *Director* Ryan Gosling: *Actor: Holland March* Russell Crowe: *Actor: Jackson Healy*

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DISCUSSION SUMMARY: THE NICE GUYS

It's 1977 Los Angeles. Auto shows are the big thing, as well as pool parties and porn stars as two detectives collide and become unlikely partners in their each search for a young woman named Amelia (Margaret Qualley) who mysteriously disappeared. Holland March (Ryan Gosling) is a down-on-his-luck private eye and Jackson Healy (a chunky Russell Crowe) is a hired enforcer who hurts people for a living. Some dangerous people are also looking for Amelia. Their investigation takes March and Healy to dark places as anyone else who gets involved in the case seems to wind up dead.

It's the ultimate spoof of the 70s with laugh out loud scenes, fabulous 70s nostalgia, those notorious, clothes, sex, good music, and more than a touch of violence. Not a great film, the thin plot still offered lots of laughs.

An entertaining, "fluff" film, as one of our resident reviewers described it, we gave it a generous 3.2 on a scale of 1 to 5. (5 is the best).



See you at the movies! Adriane Dedic, adedic@pacbell.net <u>Film Discussion Group</u> (FDG) organizer