

Alphaville

Alphaville, une etrange aventure de Lemmy Caution

France- Italy/1965/35mm/B&W/99'/French

Direction, Screenplay: Jean-Luc Godard

Producer: Andre Michelin

Cinematography: Raoul Coutard

Editing: Agnes Guillemot

Sound: Rene Levert

Cast: Eddie Constantine, Anna Karina, Akim Tamiroff, Howard Vernon, Laszlo Szabo

Awards/Festivals

Berlin International Film Festival, Golden Berlin Bear 1965

New York Film Festival 1965, London Film Festival November 1965

Jean Luc Godard's crafty Fusion of pulp characters, hardboiled detective story, surrealist poetry and science fiction. Lemmy Caution, a hero Godard borrowed from a series of French adventure films, is on a mission to kill the inventor of fascist computer Alpha 60. In Alphaville, the capital of a totalitarian state, Lemmy falls in love with Natacha, the daughter of the scientist who designed Alpha 60. Their love becomes the most profound challenge to the computer's control. In this science fiction without flashy special effects, Godard uses 1960s Paris to depict the city of the future.