

# Lumumba

France, Belgium, Germany/2000/116 Min/Color/French

**Direction:** Raoul Peck

**Producer:** Jacques Bidou

**Screenplay:** Raoul Peck, Pascal Bonitzer

**Cinematography :** Bernard Lutic

**Sound:** Dirk Bombey

**Editing:** Jacques Comets

**Cast:** Alex Descas, Eriq Ebouaney, Cheik Doukoure Dieudonne Kabongo Bashila, Andre Debaar, Rudi Delhem.

## **festivals/ awards,**

Lisbon - French Film Festival 2009, Mar Del Plata International Film Festival 2001, Mostra - Sao Paulo International Film Festival, 2000, Richmond French Film Festival 2001, Rio de Janeiro International Film Festival 2000, Toronto - International Film Festival 2000

Patrice Lumumba, the hero of Congolese independence, was not yet 30 when the first tremors of botched decolonization thrust him to the forefront of the international political arena. After a period of a few years, Lumumba became the most reviled man of the intense cold war period. Becoming Prime Minister of one of the richest countries in Africa, Lumumba's destiny as tragic hero was charted, his assassination already programmed. He would remain in power only three months. All that remained for his assassins to do was dispose of his body.