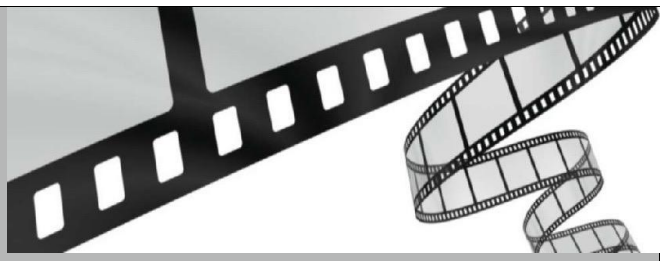
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Film Note: **SENTIMENTAL VALUE** Monday 2 November 2026. 133 mins

A Norwegian film directed by Joachim Trier, written by him and Eskil Vogt. It was well received, with much critical acclaim, in the main competition of the 2025 Cannes Film Festival, winning Grand Prix. At the 98th Academy Awards it received nine nominations and was the first Norwegian film to win Best International Feature Film.
It was awarded the Nordic Council Film Prize in 2026.

Peter Bradshaw, in *The Guardian*, gave it three stars and called it "an entertaining drama", while acknowledging Trier's reputation as a revered 'auteur', instancing his 2021 work *The Worst Person In the World* starring Renate Reinsve, who also has a key role in *Sentimental Value* as Nora. Nora and her sister, Agnes, are the grown-up daughters of Gustave Borg, a "preening auteur" and "egomaniacal director" who returns to his former family home to make a last-gasp movie about his late mother, who committed suicide in the house. Long estranged from his family, he now has to inveigle his way back into his daughters' lives to persuade them to let him use the house as the 'set' for his film, as well as getting Nora to play a part in the film.

So Bradshaw sees this as a "movie of daddy issues and cinematic adventures in the manner of Fellini and Bergman, with a gag about overhearing a therapist's session through the heating pipes, pinched from Woody Allen's *Another Woman*. Ahhh! Woody Allen! Now there's an 'auteur' we couldn't get enough of in the 'nineties! Will you agree with Bradshaw by the end of our film that it is "sentimental in ways that are not entirely intentional, but there is value too"?

You will be aware that there is no film in December, a date not being available. But we have a raffle - with prizes! - which will be drawn before Sentimental Value starts. Tickets for sale in the foyer at £1 each or £5 a strip. Our next screening therefore will be Nouvelle Vague on Tuesday 19 January '27. So, we wish you all Seasonal Greetings and a peaceful New Year.