THE SWEETIES

Directed by **Francesco Ghiaccio**

Written by **Drancesco Ghiacchio & Marco D’Amore**

Starring **Valeria Solarino, Vinicio Marchioni, Margherita de Francisco**

Producers **Marco Cohen, Marco D’Amore, Fabrizio Donvito, Benedetto Habib**

Production Company **Indiana Production Company, La Piccola Società**

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HIGHLIGHT

An empowering film about self-acceptance, making friends and overcoming the hardships of growing up.

SHORT SYNOPSIS (2 lines)

Mariagrazia, Chiara and Letizia are far from being confident in their bodies. Most of the times they would just like to be invisible. But when a video showing them in their swimsuits surfaces online, their worst nightmare becomes reality. Two possibilities now lie ahead: disappearing forever or diving into a mad mission - becoming synchronized swimming champions.

DIRECTOR’S BIOGRAPHY (2 lines)
Francesco Ghiaccio graduated in dramaturgy at the Paolo Grassi School in Milan. His plays have been staged in the most important national festivals and theaters. With Marco D'Amore, he founded La Piccola Società, a film and theatre production company. He debuted as a film director in 2007 with the short *Gabiano con un Sola B*. In 2015, he directed his first feature film *Un Posto Sicuro* based on the book written with Marco D'Amore.

CAST BIOGRAPHY

**Valeria Solarino**The actress was born on November 4, 1979 in El Morro/Venezuela and is well known for films like*The Sea Purple* (2009), *Valzer* (2007) and *La Febbre* (2005).

**Vinicio Marchioni**
He was born on August 10, 1975 in Rome/Italy. He is an actor and director and appeared in Woody Allen’s *To Rome with Love* (2012) and *Cronofobia*.

DIRECTOR’S STATEMENT (4 lines max):

*I realized that we live in a society that is constantly judging us. When we wrote the screenplay we understood how much this judgement influences people. The only way to overcome this problem is to face it with freedom, irony and friendship.*

GENRE

Feel-Good-Drama