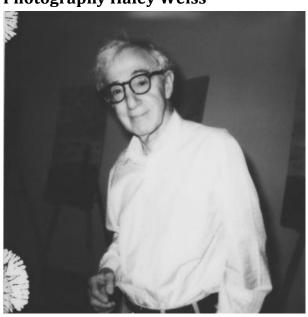


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The Cinema Society and FIJI Water host a screening of Sony Pictures Classics' 'Irrational Man'

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The Museum of Modern Art was abuzz after-hours last night with the screening of Woody Allen's latest film, *Irrational Man*, hosted by The Cinema Society and FIJI Water.

The legendary writer-director's newest movie follows a deranged philosophy professor (Joaquin Phoenix) as he contemplates murder to cure his inescapable depression. In expected Allenfashion, a dangerous love triangle then forms when a precocious but easily influenced student (Emma Stone) and eccentric co-worker (Parker Posey) come to the mad academic's aid.

"I thought it was a good story and I started writing it and it developed," said Allen. "It was not one of those ideas that seemed good and then petered out. This one kept going." Allen soon asked Emma Stone to join the project, making this their second collaboration after last year's *Magic in the Moonlight*. "She is perfection. I don't think you get any more perfect than Emma."

Alongside Allen, guests from the film included Parker Posey, Jamie Blackley, Ben Rosenfield, Sophie Von Haselberg, Betsy Aidem, Ethan Phillips, and Susan Pourfar. Among other attendees



were Anna Wintour, Arianna Huffington, Tony Danza, Mischa Barton, Laverne Cox, Regis Philbin, Al Roker, Malin Akerman, and Martha Stewart (who recently interviewed Justin Bieber for our <u>August cover</u>).

The evening continued at the New York Palace where partygoers enjoyed Qui Tequila cocktails aptly named The Eavesdropper and The Lonely Professor in spirit of the film. Guests mingled in the hotel's romantically lit courtyard as jazz-inspired tunes—per Allen's request —played delicately for the remainder of the night.

With special thanks to <u>The Impossible Project</u>, our photographer Haley Weiss was there to capture the evening. —*Jesse Steinbach*

