January 31, 2019

Join us for a screening of Gus Van Sant's 2008 biopic *Milk*, introduced by producer Bruce Cohen ’83 and followed by a discussion with Professor Laura Wexler. Sean Penn stars as the barrier-breaking "mayor of Castro Street," with strong supporting work from Emile Hirsch, Josh Brolin, and Diego Luna. Called by Colin Covert "a passionate history lesson, a broadside in favor of gay rights, and the engaging story of one flawed but corageous man," *Milk* received eight Academy Award nominations, with wins for acting (Penn) and writing (Dustin Lance Black). 35mm print from the Yale Film Archive.

Visit the [event page](https://web.library.yale.edu/film/news/milk).

**Time/Date:**
7:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 21

**Location:**
Whitney Humanities Center Auditorium
53 Wall Street
New Haven, CT

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