

Juliana

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What's On TV review:

"Drama about a 12-year old street urchin living on her wits in Lima, Peru. She is a member of a gang, busks and sells cigarettes to make money - and hates her own image in mirrors."

"Juliana is a Peruvian street child living on her wits among the lowlife of Lima. She survives by singing on the buses or selling cigarettes but her life is a constant struggle and her future uncertain. A realistic portrayal of the plight of so many children in the poorer cities of Latin America. 33"

[no listing in "Halliwell's Film Guide", "Leonard Maltin's Movie and Video Guide 2001", "The Critics' Film Guide", "Movies on TV and Videocassette 1988-89", "Rating the Movies (1990)", "The Time Out Film Guide", "TV Times Film & Video Guide 1995", "Variety Movie Guide 1993", "Video Movie Guide 1993" or "The Virgin Film Guide"]

No further information currently available. Broadcast Channel 4, Sept 91. It would be refreshing to see a recent film on Third World street children which doesn't hammer a drum about child labour, or juvenile prostitution, particularly as a 12-year old girl, for a change, is the focal character here. In a sense it is far easier to point the camera at bedraggled urchins than to address less photogenic questions like contraception in Catholic countries, or the economic pressures which force the disintegration of extended family structures, or Third World economies which are geared to Western consumer habits more than the immediate needs of their own populations. Until such issues are confronted, there will always be surplus young mouths and children on the streets. See "**LOS ABANDONADOS**", "**LOS OLVIDADOS**" and "**PIXOTE**" for earlier treatments of Latin American street kids, or the 1985 Peruvian children's film "**GREGORIO**", which follows a rural boy's first encounter with the big city. There has of course been copious current affairs coverage on TV in the last ten years.

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