



## THE INSATIABLE MOON

**DETAILS** TBC/90 mins./March 4

**DIRECTOR** Rosemary Riddell **CAST** Rawiri Paratene, Sara Wiseman, Greg Johnson

**ADAPTED BY MIKE RIDDELL FROM**

his novel and directed by wife Rosemary, whose

day-job is as a judge, this New Zealand indie has an irrepressible spirit that keeps it alive long after its defects have faded. It's somehow an unlikely love story, a parable and a slice of social realism, a mixture which is uneven but affecting. Rawiri Paratene (*Whale Rider*) is Arthur, a good-natured psychiatric patient who proclaims himself the son of God. He wants to woo the woman he declares the Queen of Heaven (Sara Wiseman) and save the in-peril boarding house where he lives in Ponsonby, Auckland. Call it *One Flew Over The Kiwi's Nest...* There's a remarkable sense of place and emotional power, in a moving, original movie that deserves to be seen. **NP ★★★★★**