

## S2490 SALVADOR (USA, 1985)

**Credits:** director, Oliver Stone ; writers, Oliver Stone, Richard Boyle.

**Cast:** James Woods, James Belushi, Michael Murphy, John Savage, Elpedia Carrillo.

**Summary:** War film set in El Salvador in 1980. Richard Boyle (Woods), a veteran war photographer whose career needs a boost, heads for El Salvador to cover the civil war there. He forms an uneasy alliance with both guerrillas in the countryside who want him to get pictures out to the US press, and the right-wing military, who want him to bring them photographs of the rebels. After the murder of Archbishop Romero, the rape and murder of an American nurse and three nuns, and the death of a fellow journalist (Savage), Boyle attempts to escape El Salvador with his Salvadorean girlfriend Maria (Carrillo) and her family. Several characters in the film are veterans of the war in Vietnam as soldiers, journalists or CIA agents and director Oliver Stone draws parallels between American involvement there and in Central America.

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