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JULY 3
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GIRL ON
THE BRIDGE**



(FRANCE - 1999 - PATRICE LECONTE - 90 MINS)
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Girl on the Bridge is in a unique genre—a noir tragicomic romance! It begins with the sad confessions of a suicide-obsessed girl, and then shifts to a quirky love story. The protagonists live life on the lam, both seemingly demented. Gabor (Daniel Auteuil) is a performing knife-thrower. The rescued girl, Adele (Vanessa Paradis), is his beaten-down target. She gets aroused by his throwing of knives while he tries to school her in the power of luck and the magic of belief—at least in him. Her luck carries over to the world of gambling, but when he shuns her advances, the story takes off in another wild and comic dimension. The rich blacks and whites of the film evoke an older filmic world but little can prepare us for the caprices of this charming postmodern film, where reality might be what you want it to be.

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