

Garrick Theatre wants The Grand Seduction

People turn to social media to lobby for Bonavista screenig

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The highly anticipated Newfoundland film, *The Grand Seduction*, is set for a May 30 release date. However, when the distribution was announced, a glaring omission was The Garrick Theatre in Bonavista, the heart of the area of where the majority of the movie was filmed.

David Bradley, chair of the Bonavista Historic Townscape Foundation that manages the Garrick, explained the situation to *The Packet* last Thursday.

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"What we gather from our booking agent who deals with the distributor, there's going to be somewhat of a limited release, although it will play in St. John's and many other places," he said.

While this is not unusual prac-

tice, Bradley said the film should be shown at The Garrick on release.

"Of course we're powerless to determine when that is. All we can do is ask and when it's available, (the distributor) will make it

available," he said.

"It's not uncommon to have a limited release or, for small independent theatres like ours, not to be able to get a film on first run.

"But in this case we felt an exception could be made, especially given the amount of demand that there seems to be for the film in our area."

There has certainly been a lot of interest from local people. It may be one of the most anticipated films in a long while, given that it was set in Trinity Bight.

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