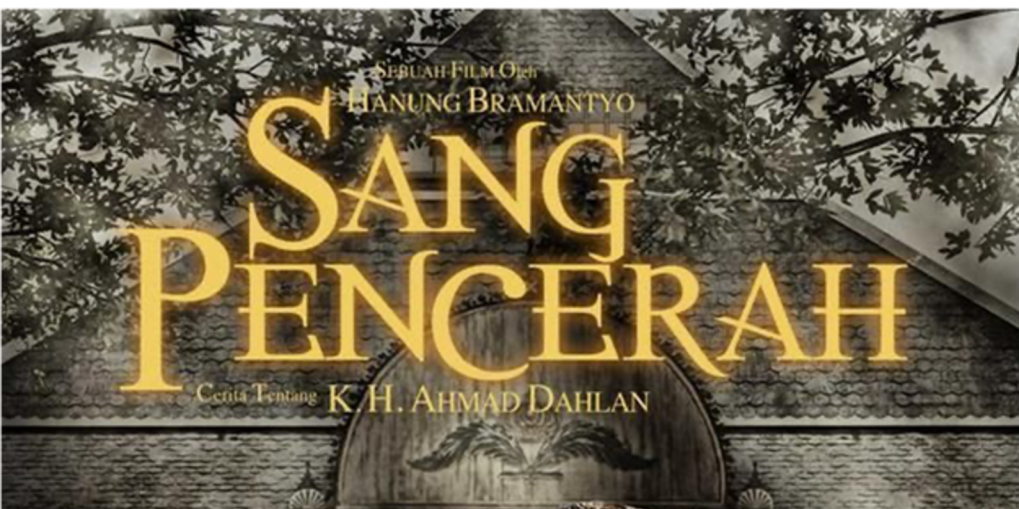


Film Screening

SANG PENCERAH

A Collaboration Between AAI Uni Hamburg and Indonesian Students Association in Germany (PPI Jerman)



**8 May 2025,
18:00**

AAI, Room 232
Asien-Afrika Institut,
Edmund-Siemers-Allee 1
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Summary of Sang Pencerah (The Enlightener)

Sang Pencerah is a 2010 Indonesian historical drama film directed by Hanung Bramantyo. The film tells the story of Ahmad Dahlan, the founder of Muhammadiyah, one of Indonesia's largest Islamic organizations. Set in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the film follows Dahlan's struggle to reform Islamic teachings in Java, which were heavily influenced by local traditions and rigid interpretations. His progressive views and emphasis on education faced strong resistance from conservative scholars and religious authorities.

Despite the challenges, Ahmad Dahlan remained committed to his mission. He established a modern Islamic school, integrating religious teachings with general knowledge, and encouraged critical thinking among his students. His efforts aimed to counter dogmatism and empower Muslims with education, which he believed was key to progress. However, his reformist ideas were met with hostility, as many saw them as a threat to traditional Islamic norms.

Through its compelling storytelling, Sang Pencerah highlights the importance of intellectual freedom and religious reform. The film portrays Ahmad Dahlan as a visionary leader who courageously challenged outdated traditions for the betterment of society. It also sheds light on the socio-political landscape of colonial Indonesia, showing how religious and educational reforms played a role in the country's modernization.



Director: **Hanung Bramantyo**
Producer: **Raam Punjabi**
Prod. Company: **MVP Pictures**
Screenplay: **Hanung Bramantyo & E.S. Ito**
Genre: **Historical drama, Biographical**
Film Duration: **1h 52m**

Casts :

Lukman Sardi as Ahmad Dahlan (main protagonist)
Zaskia Adya Mecca as Nyai Ahmad Dahlan (his wife)
Giring Ganesha as Sudja'
Ihsan Tarore as Fakhri Usman
M. Rifnu Wikana as Hasyim Asy'ari
Agus Kuncoro as Muhammad Sangidu
Sudjiwo Tedjo as Kyai Penghulu Kamaludiningrat