

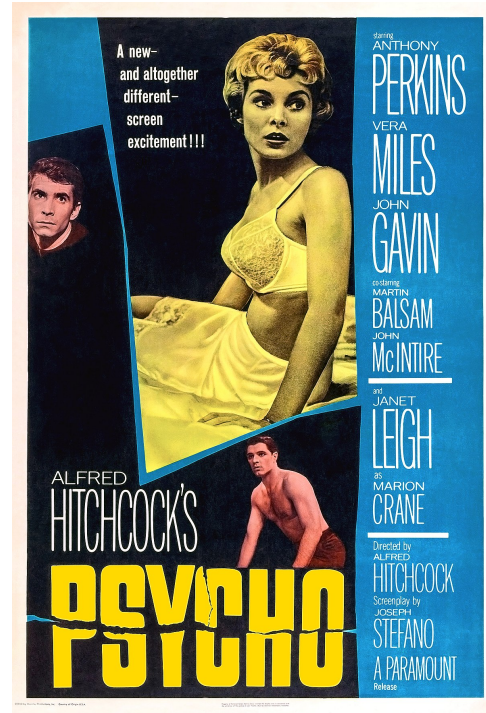
# PSYCHO

## 1960

**Director: Alfred Hitchcock**  
**Writers: Joseph Stefano & Robert Bloch**

### Cast

Anthony Perkins: **Norman Bates**  
Janet Leigh: **Marion Crane**  
Vera Miles: **Lila Crane**  
John Gavin: **Sam Loomis**  
Martin Balsam: **Det Milton Arbogast**



### Awards

#### Oscar Nominations

Best Supporting Actress (Janet Leigh), Best Director, Best Cinematography, Best Art-Direction

### Plot Synopsis

A secretary on the run for embezzlement takes refuge at a secluded California motel owned by a repressed man and his overbearing mother.

### Trivia

- Director Sir Alfred Hitchcock bought the rights to the novel anonymously from Robert Bloch for only \$9,000. He then bought up as many copies of the novel as he could in order to keep the ending a secret.
- Paramount Pictures gave Sir Alfred Hitchcock a very small budget with which to work, because of their distaste with the source material. They also deferred most of the box-office take to Hitchcock, thinking the movie would fail. When it became a sleeper hit, Hitchcock made a fortune.
- The Bates house, though moved from its original location, still resides on Universal's lot. The motel has been replicated. It is a regular stop on the Universal Studios tram tour.