

Setting the scene: *The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus*

Genre	Fantasy
Plot and themes	<p>It is a story of a travelling show that is led by a very old Doctor Parnassus. A thousand years ago, he traded the soul of his daughter, Valentina, to the devil. Now the devil has come to collect his prize. To save her, Parnassus must make a final wager: whoever collects five souls first will win Valentina.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The conflict between dreams and reality • Morals and temptations • Old age and youth
Settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In modern-day London • In a fantasy world (different imaginariums)
Use of camera	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Real life • Models and CG (computer-generated imagery) elements mixed
Lighting and colour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different styles, ages, landscapes, colour palettes • Specific looks for the different imaginariums
Sound and music	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>by Michael and Jeff Danna</u></p>
Props	<p style="text-align: center;">https://www.terryprops.com/doctor-paranassus</p>
Acting/ performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctor Parnassus (Christopher Plummer) • His daughter Valentina (Lily Cole) • Mr. Nick (Tom Waits) • Dwarf Percy (Verne Troyer) • Anton (Andrew Garfield) • Tony (Heath Ledger*) <p>*Johnny Depp, Jude Law and Colin Farrell stepped collectively into the Tony role after Ledger died midway through filming</p>

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Spoken language	Heath Ledger improvised half of his comedic dialogue on set.
Facial expression and body language	Very important: masterfully shown by all characters

See the official trailer [here](#).