

A woman with long, wavy brown hair and a black spaghetti-strap top is looking directly at the camera. She is holding a row of five colorful poker chips (yellow, blue, green, blue, red) in her hands. A man with short black hair, wearing a blue button-down shirt, is looking at her with a serious expression. The background is dark with orange and yellow circular patterns.

# *RUNAWAY* MILLIONAIRES\$

百万富翁逃跑记

What would you do if you found  
10 million dollars in your bank account?

# A YOUNG COUPLE GO ON THE LAM AFTER A BANKING ERROR DELIVERS THEM MILLIONS



An enthralling tale of temptation and adventure, *Runaway Millionaires* tells the gripping true story of petrol station owner Leo Gao and his girlfriend Kara Hurring – an ordinary New Zealand couple who, along with Kara’s six-year-old daughter, find themselves on the run after an extraordinary sum of money is deposited into their account in error.

In 2009, as New Zealand struggled to find its way through the global recession, the young couple fast-tracked their way out of financial strife, fleeing New Zealand for a new life in China and taking with them millions in stolen money. Their story captivated international media for two years, and the hunt for New Zealand’s most wanted couple gripped the nation and the world – as ordinary people pictured themselves in the same situation: what would they do if this happened to them?

Veering between five-star hotels and back alleys in mainland China, the runaways struggle with their unconventional lifestyle – and when a local police detective back home receives a tip off, the investigation to track them down takes off, with dramatic consequences.

## MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

‘A fascinating drama’

– NZ Listener

‘[An] immediate, authentic take’

– NZ Stuff



# AWARDS

## NZTV AWARDS

New Zealand Television  
Awards 2020:

Winner Best Feature Drama

Winner Best Original Score



New York Festivals  
Film & TV Awards 2020:

Nomination for Best  
Performance by an Actress  
(Jess Sayer)

Winner Best Camerawork:  
Gold Medal

Best TV Movie: Silver Medal

Best Direction: Bronze Medal

Best Screenplay: Bronze Medal

