



# ADDICTION

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## SYNOPSIS

"All men seek happiness. This is the motive of every action of every man, even of those who hang themselves." Blaise Pascal  
Four people in Berlin. Their life is all about addiction. Through them we get to know directly what it really means to be an addict. The film tells their stories strictly from their point of view. We as the viewers are present when their bodies ask for more, we watch how the heroin is bought, we observe preparation, consumption, having a high and suffering from the withdrawal symptoms. We see what the addiction has caused them to become and how they nevertheless want to live their lives. Four heavy addicts show their world to us and we are allowed to participate in their activities, their thoughts and their feelings. One would like to look the other way – and watch them closely at the same time. The film is not simply a document. Instead, it treats the topic in an essayistic manner. Does 'addiction' only mean an 'illness' – or doesn't it...

## CAST AND CREW

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85 min

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

PREMIERE

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