



# DANCING DREAMS

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## SYNOPSIS

The dance performance KONTAKTHOF bears the unmistakable signature of Pina Bausch: it deals with forms of human contact, the encounters between the sexes, and the search for love and tenderness with all the attendant anxieties, yearnings and doubts. It is about feelings, which pose a big challenge, particularly for young people. For almost a year teenagers from over eleven schools in Wuppertal went on an emotional journey. Every Saturday, 40 students, aged between 14 to 18 years, rehearsed under the direction of the Bausch-dancers Jo-Ann Endicott and Bénédicte Billiet and under the intense supervision of Pina Bausch herself. The film DANCING DREAMS by Anne Linsel and Rainer Hoffmann accompanies the rehearsal process culminating in the opening night. We watch the teenagers making their first, still clumsy attempts to transform the subjects of the dance performance into motion and choreography and to develop an own, individual body expression. They discover themselves in a process,...

## CAST AND CREW

**DIRECTOR** Rainer Hoffmann, Anne Linsel · **SCREENPLAY** Anne Linsel · **EDITOR** Mike Schlömer · **DOP** Thomas Kutschker, Rainer Hoffmann

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