

DYING ON EXHIBITION

by Marion Schmidt



SYNOPSIS

What dares art? This question is to be asked newly, the debate is relumed: German artist Gregor Schneider intends to show „the beauty of death“ in his upcoming work. But not in a painting, an image or in object art, but „live“. He wants to exhibit a dying man in a spezial purpose-made art-room. With this, he strikes a great taboo, because people normaly deal with death only in larger distances. The sheer announcement of this work provokes a lot of critics. But there are also many other artists around the world, dealing with the subject of dying and death in their art work. Amongst others, you will meet Sue Fox in Manchester and Christian Boltansky in Paris. The film sets forth to the backgrounds of these artists, revealing their motivations and desire to concatenate death and art.

CAST AND CREW

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