

HOME HOPE OPEL

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SYNOPSIS

ARBEIT HEIMAT OPEL profiles six young people, aged 16 to 19, who began their apprenticeships as industrial mechanics at the Opel plant in Bochum, Germany in 2009. While they must learn to cope with a new phase in their lives, the start of their professional careers and approaching departure from the security of their parental homes, Opel itself is being sucked deeper and deeper into the maelstrom of the international financial crisis and facing ever-increasing economic pressure. We follow Jerome, André, Sinan, Tim, Marius and Marcel, with all their hopes and fears, through this period of radical change; we are introduced to their dreams for the future as well as their worries. They stand at the threshold of a professional life whose future is already uncertain.

At the same time, ARBEIT HEIMAT OPEL contrasts the everyday lives of the Plant II apprentices with GM and Opel's fortunes on the world stage on two seemingly unrelated levels. Despite their distance both in physical and in...

FESTIVALS

DOK Leipzig, Lünen

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Ulrike Franke, Michael Loeken · SOUND Filipp Forberg, Axel Schmidt · EDITOR Bert Schmidt

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89 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

ARBEIT HEIMAT OPEL

FORMAL CATEGORIES

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ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

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