



HOUSE OF SHAME - CHANTAL ALL NIGHT LONG

by Johanna Jackie Baier



SYNOPSIS

House of Shame is a queer party in Berlin, offering disco dancing and live acts every Thursday night.

A different one every Thursday, for ten years now. Chantal is the organizer of the party and its host - for ten years now. Before, she was a working girl, streetwalking on trannie's patch. Chantal is a transsexual.

An underground legend.

To me Chantal's House of Shame was and still is a Hole Lotta Love - simply the party for the best time of day: the time after the Deluge. Over the ten years I have photographed the House of Shame party and its people. I am no 'party photographer' though - but Excess and Deluge are two of my best known companions. During the whole time about 60,000 negatives have been exposed, analog as well as digital. A sixty thousand times the decisive moment as Henri Cartier-Bresson would have put it, or at least the attempt to capture it. - Again and again, until finally we started shooting a film - the feature-length musical documentary HOUSE OF SHAME.

FESTIVALS

2011 Berlinale PANORAMA world premiere

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Johanna Jackie Baier

Germany 2011

94 min

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Gender, Arts/Culture, POV

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German, English

PREMIERE

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