



ISLAND OF THE HUNGRY GHOSTS

by Gabrielle Brady



SYNOPSIS

Located off the coast of Indonesia, the Australian territory of Christmas Island is inhabited by migratory crabs travelling in their millions from the jungle towards the ocean, in a movement that has been provoked by the full moon for hundreds of thousands of years. Poh Lin is a trauma therapist who lives with her family in this place of hostile and wild landscapes—one of the last places on the planet to be discovered. Every day, she talks with the asylum seekers held indefinitely in a high-security detention centre, attempting, relentlessly, to support them in a situation that is as unbearable as its outcome is uncertain. Comparing the natural migration with the chaotic and tragic migration of humans, subject to the constant metamorphoses of the decision-making structures, Gabrielle Brady undoubtedly succeeds in evoking a challenge that is much greater than that of the microcosm she is reporting on. With its fictional appearance, Island of the Hungry Ghosts is a film whose...

FESTIVALS

2020 LOLA@Berlinale – Shortlisted for DEUTSCHER FILMPREIS DOKUMENTARFILM [German FilmAward] 2018

Prix Buyens-Chagoll – Visions du Réel Nyon (World Premiere)

Best International Documentary – Tribeca

Best Documentary – Valletta Film Festival

Best Documentary – Crested Butte Film Festival, Colorado

DOK Leipzig

Best Documentary feature – Adelaide Film Festival

Michael Latham (CoP) & Leo Dogan (Sound) nominated for the Australian film Awards

Aaron Cupples (music) nominated for British Film Awards

Smart Award – Festival des Libertés, Brussels

Grand Jury Prize – Jio MAMI Mumbai Film Festival

Human Rights Award – IDFA

Best Documentary – ATOM Awards & Competitions in

Germany, Australia, USA, Great Britain 2018
94 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

DIE INSEL DER HUNGRIGEN GEISTER

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Current Affairs, Conflicts, War/Peace, Human Rights, Migration, Nature/Animals, Politics

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

Mandarin, Farsi, French

PREMIERE

Nyon, Switzerland (2018)

WORLD SALES

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