



JOHNNY & ME

by Katrin Rothe



SYNOPSIS

Bertold Brecht called him one of the most important European artists. Rosa Luxemburg personally handed over the party book to the communist of the first hour in 1918. George Grosz and Kurt Tucholsky are among his closest friends and artistic companions. He gave himself an English name in protest against German warmongering. For the Nazis, however, the father of political photomontage John Heartfield quickly became one of the most dangerous enemies of the state. For years he is a fugitive in Europe, and later finds no safe home even in the socialist GDR. The graphic artist Stephanie, plagued by a creative crisis and self-doubt, is fascinated by John Heartfield's work, which she discovers in an exhibition. Through a time tunnel, she ends up in a studio where the artist, who has become a cartoon figure, takes her on a journey through his eventful life. A loving friendship develops between the two colleagues. And Stephanie takes up scissors and paper again.

Graphic designer Stefanie is...

FESTIVALS

2023

Festival d'Animation Annecy, France

FANTOCHE Swiss

ANIMAGE Brazil

66 DOK Leipzig, Germany

33 FFC Cottbus, Germany

Ciné Open Festival Pontarlier, France

2024

14 BJIFF - Beijing International Film Festival

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Katrin Rothe

Germany, Austria, Switzerland

2023

100 min

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, History

CONTENT CATEGORIES

Animation, Hybrid

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