



# MIGUEL'S WAR

by Eliane Raheb



## SYNOPSIS

For 37 years, Miguel has been living as an exiled gay in Spain and has become a successful interpreter. In his quest of finding some emotional balance, he decides to return to Lebanon and confront the ghosts of his past.

Miguel's War portrays a sensitive but self-destructive Lebanese man, strongly oppressed by society all through his youth. In 1982 he decides to participate in Lebanon's civil war to find a place within society and to prove his family that he can fight like a 'real man'. He fails. Traumatized by his experiences and haunted by an eternal feeling of guilt and shame, Miguel leaves to Spain. It's only now - more than 30 years after leaving Lebanon - that Miguel is willing to confront himself and the ghosts from his past to finally find emotional balance.

"For telling a fascinating, unique and courageous story of reconstructing one's identity facing humiliation, oppression and violence, and for its original artistic approach without compromises, the jury..."

## FESTIVALS

2021

71 Berlinale PANORAMA

Predicted Nominee for 94 Oscar Feature Documentary

2022

39 Kassel Documentary FF

## CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Eliane Raheb · PRODUCER Eliane Raheb (Itar Productions), Margot Haiböck, Lissi Muschol (Kabinett Film)

Libanon, Germany, France 2021  
128 min

ORIGINAL TITLE  
ANAF HOB

FORMAL CATEGORIES  
Biographie/Portrait, Family,  
Gender, Human Rights,  
Migration

CONTENT CATEGORIES  
Hybrid

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES  
Arabic, Spanish, French, English

PREMIERE  
Berlin, Germany (2021)

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