



PIANOMANIA

by Lilian Franck, Robert Cibis



SYNOPSIS

Pianomania is a portrayal of Stefan Knuepfer, the virtuosic piano tuner from Steinway, Austria, and his many famous clients at work, including Lang Lang, Alfred Brendel, Andrej Gravilov, Mitsuko Uchida, Rudolf Buchbinder and Pierre-Laurent Aimard; the film offers an unusual and amusing look behind the heavy curtains at major concerts. This film is about the quest for the perfect tone. It shows each obstacle that is created by abandoning everyday routine and surrendering oneself to Art. The fortitude that devotion engenders, the supreme love of perfection and of divine moments; and yet the refusal to bask in one's glory. Our protagonists are world-renowned pianists and their hero, piano tuner Stefan Knuepfer; and all are obsessed with the idea of the perfect sound.

FESTIVALS

among others:

Seal of Approval highly recommended as well as Film of the Month (FBW)

Max Ophüls Preis - World Premiere

IFF Locarno 2009 - awarded with Semaine de la Critique
nominated European Film Ward - Best Documentary 2009

IFF San Francisco 2010 - Golden Gate Award

DIAGONALE, Austria - Best Editing of Documentary

Kinofest Lünen - AudienceAward LÜDIA as well as Best Film of the Festival

EuroDOC, Denmark - Honorable mention

Int. Hofer Filmtage 2009

IDFA 2009

DOK Leipzig 2009

Cork Festival, Ireland 2009

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Lilian Franck, Robert Cibis · SOUND Sabine

PRODUCTION DESIGN Stefan Knuepfer · EDITING Stefan Knuepfer · MUSIC Stefan Knuepfer

Germany 2009

95 min

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait,
Arts/Culture, Music

CONTENT CATEGORIES

Music video

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

PREMIERE

Germany (2009)

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