



SAUDADE

by Denize Galiao



SYNOPSIS

When Afro-Brazilian filmmaker Denize Galiao starts feeling that sorrow of loss again, her father sighs and says, "Forget about saudade and carry on." An old Brazilian legend says that the African gods created the feeling of saudade to remind people where they come from and where they are. And that's just what she's suffering from. Twenty years ago Galiao emigrated to Germany, where her dream of becoming a filmmaker came true. But the papayas there never taste as good as in Brazil.

Galiao's parents live in the Brazilian city of Porto Alegre, and thanks to Skype her birth country is never far away. Now that her parents need more support, the sense of dislocation is really making its presence felt. "You are physically present, while your mind is somewhere else." This short film explores and defines the feeling in various ways, both positive and negative.

Saudade is a richly layered film about emigration and identity, and about how culture forms your worldview. Will...

FESTIVALS

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2019

Winner of the IDFA Competition for Student Documentary

Best Camera Student - Asocijacija Snimatelja BiH for Dino Osmanovic

2020

President's Award beim Full Frame USA

Millenium IDFF, Brussels

It's All True IDFF, Sao Paulo, Brasil

Provinziale - Filmfest Eberswalde, Germany

dotdotdot Festival, Austria

Fünf Seen Film Festival, Germany

Best of Short Films Festival, France

EUREKA University Film Festival, Colombia

Aesthetica Short Film Festival, England

Verein FF Budapest

Germany 2019

30 min

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Family, Migration, POV, Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

English

PREMIERE

Amsterdam, Netherlands (2019)

PRODUCTION COMPANY

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