

SILENCED - GEORGI MARKOV AND THE UMBRELLA MURDER

by Klaus Dixel



SYNOPSIS

One of the most mysterious assassinations of the Cold War happened on Waterloo Bridge in London on September 7th, 1978: Bulgarian writer and journalist Georgi Markov was poisoned by a stab in the leg presumably through the tip of an umbrella. Markov died four days later of heart failure. In February 2010 the TIME magazine listed the murder of Georgi Markov at number 5 of the "Top 10 Assassination Plots of the World". The victim, Georgi Markov worked as a journalist for the BBC, Deutsche Welle and importantly, for Radio Free Europe where in weekly programs he sharply criticized the totalitarian system in his homeland. After many years of research, the film sheds for the first time light on the background and political connections of the murder and tracks down the Bulgarian Secret Service agent 'Picadilly' who is considered to be involved in the assassination. A thrilling investigative documentary, directed by history doc expert Klaus Dixel and shot on RED Epic.

FESTIVALS

Best History Project for the script – Sunny Side of the Docs, La Rochelle, France

2013

Sofia IFF

DOK.fest Munich

The World Film Festival Montreal

Guangzhou International Documentary Festival

SEEFest Los Angeles, South East European Filmfestival, USA

TELAS Sao Paulo Internacional TV-Festival, Brazil

History Film Festival Rijeka, Croatia

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Klaus Dixel

Germany 2013

92 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

ZUM SCHWEIGEN GEBRACHT

- Georgi Markov und der Regenschirm Mord

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, History, Conflicts, Politics

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German, English

PREMIERE

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