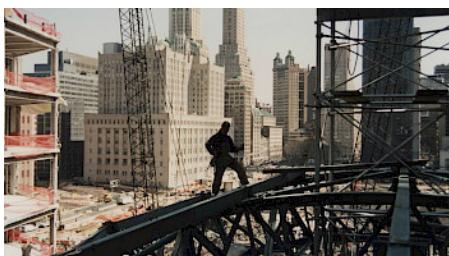




# SKYDANCER

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## SYNOPSIS

The Brooklyn Bridge, the Empire State Building, the World Trade Center: for more than 120 years, Mohawk ironworkers have raised America's modern cityscapes. They are called 'sky walkers' because they walk fearlessly atop steel beams just a foot wide, high above the city. Who are these Mohawk sky walkers? What is their secret for overcoming fear? Has 'sky walking' replaced an ancient rite of passage? Or is it the pure need to adapt in order to survive? And what is their life really like, when every Friday at quitting time, they jump in their cars and make the eight-hour drive up north to their families on the reservation? SKYDANCER is a feature length documentary that takes a provocative look at Indian life in the 21st Century.

## FESTIVALS

2011

Brooklyn FF

Hot Springs IDF

American Indian FF San Francisco

Salem FF

2012

One World HRFF Prague

## CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR katja esson · EDITOR Anke Wiesenthal · DOP Martina Radwan, katja esson

Germany 2011

72 min

### FORMAL CATEGORIES

Biographie/Portrait, Human Rights, Social issues

### ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

English

### PREMIERE

Germany (2011)

### PRODUCTION COMPANY

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### TRAILER

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