

TRIBES OF COLOGNE

by Anja Dreschke



SYNOPSIS

For several years anthropologist and filmmaker Anja Dreschke accompanied the Cologne Tribes, particular societies whose members imitate "foreign" and/or historic cultures notably Huns and Mongolians as a leisure time activity. Thus she realised an ethnographic long-term study providing a "thick description" of historical reenactment as an outstanding cultural phenomenon. Filmed over several years in the course of an ethnographic research TRIBES OF COLOGNE follows an association of about 80 clubs from the Rhineland whose members re-enact the historic life worlds of ›foreign‹ or ›ancient‹ peoples as a leisure time activity. Originating from the carnival the Cologne Tribes form a diverse local network drawing together such versatile interests as historical reenactment, amateur anthropology and alternative spirituality, namely shamanism. The audiovisual research project investigates how the performances of the club members translate a wide range of globally circulating popular...

FESTIVALS

2011

12th RAI International Festival of Ethnographic Film, London

Days of Ethnographic Cinema, Moscow

10. Münchner EthnoFilmfest, Munich

Filmfestival An-/Verwandlungen & Tages des Ethnologischen Films, Grassi Museum, Leipzig

Intima lente Festival di Film Etnografici, Caserta/Italy

2012

4. Etnofilm Festival, Rovinj, Croatia

2017

Goethe-Institut Toronto, Exhibition ›Heinrich Zille: Fun Fair‹

CAST AND CREW

DIRECTOR Anja Dreschke · PRODUCER Olaf Hirschberg, Tom Schreiber · SCREENPLAY Anja Dreschke · EDITOR Julia Wiegand,

Germany 2011

89 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

DIE STÄMME VON KÖLN

FORMAL CATEGORIES

Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

German

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