



WHEN SPRING CAME TO BUCHA

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SYNOPSIS

By the time Russian army retreated from Bucha, Borodyanka, Irpin, houses were destroyed, civilians executed, and lives ruined. From the moment when they emerge from their shelters over the course of many weeks, the film follows various residents as they pick themselves up from the smoldering ruins. The dead are identified, debris is cleared, and prosecutors start talking about a war tribunal. But as the first blossoms of spring start appearing, these Ukrainians also reveal their resilience. Human spirit overcomes war and death.

FESTIVALS

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35 IDFA

shortlisted for ROSE D'ORE - Global Television Festival

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Winner of 59 GRIMME PRIZE

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20 CPH:DOX

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nominated ROMAN BRODMANN Preis

54 Vision du Réel, Nyon

17 Ethnocineca IDFF Vienna

German Documentary Award - Deutscher Dokumentarfilmpreis

33 Filmfest Emden

nominated for Best Documentary - Deutscher Fernsehpreis

Human Rights FF Berlin

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66 min

ORIGINAL TITLE

LEBEN NACH BUTSCHA -
TRAUMA UND HOFFNUNG

FORMAL CATEGORIES

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War/Peace, Human Rights,
Social issues

ORIGINAL LANGUAGES

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