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PRESS RELEASE**

Aberystwyth Arts Centre Cinema presents...

Memory of Berlin directed by John Burgan

New Life at the End of the Line directed by Ywain Tomos & Irene Asimenou's

8.15 pm, Tuesday 24 November 2009

Aberystwyth Arts Centre Cinema will screen Memory of Berlin directed by John Burgan, and New Life at The End of The Line by Ywain Tomos and Irene Asimenou's on Tuesday 24 November 8.15 pm.

The fall of the Berlin Wall triggered a deeply emotional response in British film-maker John Burgan.



John Burgan, who was adopted at birth, felt strangely drawn to Berlin with its fractured history and dual identity and moved there in search of a sense of belonging. Memory of Berlin is a lyrical essay which combines heartrending autobiography with a revelatory portrait of Berlin.

John Burgan is an independent documentary director and writer and is currently based at Aberystwyth University's Theatre, Film and Television Studies Department. Many of his films are themed around identity, sense of belonging, and migration. There will be a post-screening Q&A with John Burgan.

New Life at the End of the Line is directed by Aberystwyth University's Department of Theatre, Film & Television Studies postgraduates Ywain Tomos & Irene Asimenou. This short film portrait of Aberystwyth was completed as part of their MAs. Four women, linked by their individual journeys to settle in Aberystwyth, reflect on life in the small seaside town. Artemis from Greece, Tomoko from Japan, Roksana from Poland and Rebecca from England tell their stories and reflect on what living in Aberystwyth means to them, and why they chose to stay.

There will be a post-screening Q&A with John Burgan. Tickets for this performance are £5.25 (£4.25) and can be booked by contacting the Arts Centre ticket office on 01970 62 32 32 or online at www.aber.ac.uk/artscentre

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