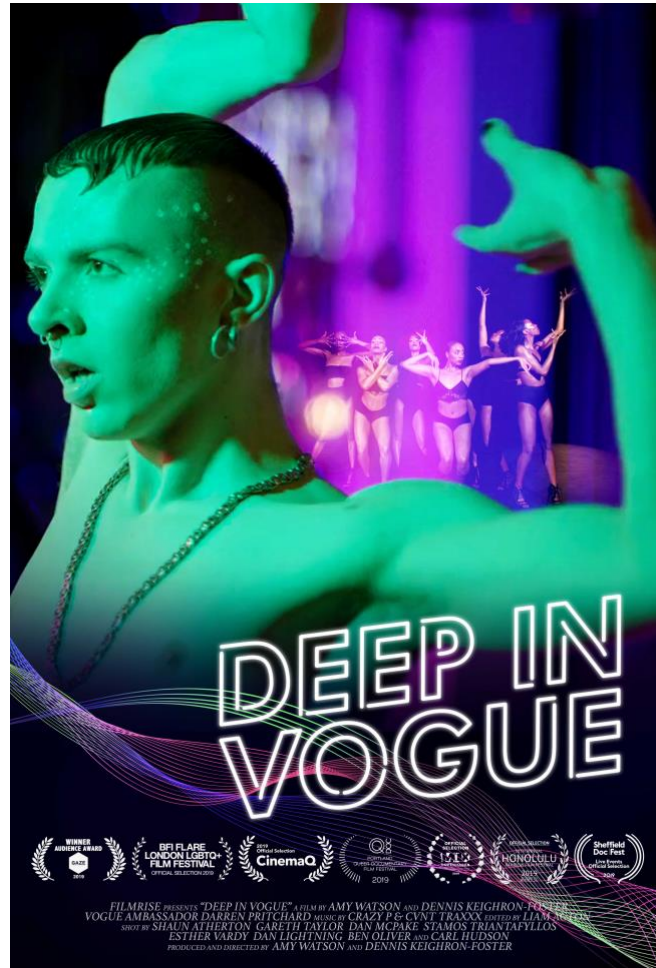




Presents
DEEP IN VOGUE



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DEEP IN VOGUE

RT: 62 minutes

SHORT SYNOPSIS

Manchester's Vogue ball scene is revealed in this documentary exploring notions of love, community and creativity, as preparations are underway for an upcoming competition. This is a celebration of the queer heroes of this scene, which takes its inspiration from the US model of competing Houses.

LONG SYNOPSIS

A film about Northern Vogue and its people. Deep in Vogue celebrates the colorful, queer, emotional and political stories of Northern Vogue and its people. Synonymous with the black, gay ballrooms of 1980s New York this documentary asks why we need Vogue in Manchester now more than ever. Over the course of a year, film makers Dennis Keighron-Foster and Amy Watson charted the buildup to the Manchester ICONS Vogue Ball. Exploring themes from the internal politics of Vogue to its external politics like disenfranchisement of black youth, LGBT issues, a shrinking welfare state, a dearth of art spaces and modes of expression, a reductive and commercialized gay scene and a lack of safe spaces for the truly different. DEEP IN VOGUE is about people coming to love and accept themselves, finding a new family through vogue. The film explores the history of vogue and ballroom, in which Black and Latinx gay men and trans people sought an aspirational artistic outlet in the 1980s, in much the same way that gay, queer, trans and QTPOC people seek a safe space today.

DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

Over the course of a year we developed a relationship with the House Mothers and members and charted the buildup to the Manchester ICONS Vogue Ball. We've explored themes from the internal politics of Vogue to its external politics like disenfranchisement of black youth, LGBT issues, a shrinking welfare state, a dearth of art spaces and modes of expression, a reductive and commercialized gay scene and a lack of safe spaces for the truly different. We also looked at personal stories; people coming to love and accept themselves, young mothers gaining back their sense of self, people receiving applause, adulation and respect for the first times in their lives after years of bullying and abuse from their peers, people abandoned by their families finding a new family through Vogue. We discovered that a lot of the reasons that gay black men were seeking an aspirational artistic outlet through Vogue in the 1980s, were the same reasons that Northern youth was seeking Vogue now; social persecution for their sexuality and way of life, rejection from their family and a need for a safe space in which to express themselves as LGBT and POC people.

CREW BIOGRAPHIES

Amy Watson (DIRECTOR AND PRODUCER) used to make commercials until her mind exploded and she decided to only make things she believed in and that she thought other people might like too. She works full time as a gardener at a British stately home (really) and does film making around that.

Dennis Keighron-Foster (DIRECTOR AND PRODUCER) is a queer single papa of twins with a background in interior design. His ambition has always been to tell people's stories and he is therefore surprised that this is his first documentary. Amy and Dennis met at a rave five years ago, fell in platonic love and made a film about their shared love of the Manchester ballroom scene. This is their first film and was self-funded, independent of any production company or business sense.

DEEP IN VOGUE CREDITS

Directed & Produced by	Amy Watson & Dennis Keighron-Foster
Darren Pritchard	Vogue Ambassador
Shaun Atherton	Director of Photography
Liam Acton	Editor
Dan McPake	Lighting Camera Op
Gareth Taylor	Lighting Camera Op
Ben Oliver	Focus Puller & Camera Op
Simon Ospina	Focus Puller & Camera Op
Stamos Triantafyllos	Steady cam Op
Carl Hudson	Camera Op
Esther Vardy	Camera Op
Dan Lightning	Camera Op
Phil Curtis	Camera Op
Philip 'Sniper' Hurst	Gaffer
Aden Bryan	Camera Assistant
Charlie Murray	Make-Up Artist
Grace Oni Smith	Make-Up Artist
Roxanna Gillani	Make-Up Artist
Esme Caulfield	1st AD
Rebecca Sanderson	Runner
Howie Martinez	Runner
Hannah Lovett	Runner
Marcelo Sandoval	Runner
Gabriel McPhillips	Runner
Eddie Robson	DIT
Lauchlan Scott	DIT
Kier Stewart	Sound Mixer
Danny Shah	Sound Recordist
Charlie Vallance	Sound Recordist
Mike Mullan	Sound Recordist
Mark Horrobin	Colorist
Liam Acton	Sound Editor
Chris Ball	Graphics
Tom Spawton	Titles
Pip Rustage	Official Photography
Sarah Holder - Taste The Love	Catering

MUSIC

“Like A Fool”

Written by Chris Todd, Danielle Moore,
Jim Baron, Matthew Klose and Tim Davies

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of K7

“One True Light”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of Classic Music Company

“Wecanonlybewhoweare”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of 20/20

“Your Dark Energy”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of 20/20

“Something More (Hot Toddy Percky Dub)”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of K7

“Magnetise”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of K7

“A Little Something”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of Paper Recordings

“Beatbox (Burnski Remix)”

Written by Crazy P

Performed by Crazy P

Courtesy of 20/20

“FLICKA PUMPED (Ft. Chazzi Mizrahi)”

Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by Chazzi Mizrahi and CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“Walk Talk Dance Sing”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of K7

“New Jersey Drive”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz Records

“Super Moon (BLASTAH Remix Ft. Diavoli S'vere)”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“Can't Hide From House”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“Changes”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of 20/20

“Echo”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of K7

“Eruption”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of 20/20

“Witch Doctor”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of K7

“TeleKuntz (Ft. CVNT TR4XXX)”

Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“MAK3 LOVE”

Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

ARCHIVES

Chantal Regnault - Archive Photographs
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HOUSES AND PARTICIPANTS

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Sly Hands
David Hoyle
Rikki Beadle-Blair
Niall O’Conghaile
Liam Toner

HOUSE OF DECAY

Joshua Hubbard
Grace Oni Smith
Phoenix Chase-Meares
Aston/Astina Mandella
Sarah Hobson
Anna Engerström
Paulina Schoochulska
Simon Peters
Ted Rogers

HOUSE OF GHETTO

Kamille Ghetto
Lauren Ghetto
Lenai Ghetto
Darren H Ghetto
Jecoliah Ghetto
Nadia Ghetto
Karyse Ghetto
Renna Ghetto

Remon Feni
Dave Wall
Sharon Chapman

HOUSE OF CARDS
Paul S Ferns
Michael Williams
Geogria Dyke
Jade Wood
Annie-May D'Archy
Jodie Nolan
Liam Jones
Faye Duffy

HOUSE OF SUAREZ
Luke Bromilow
Ryan Harrison
Gordon Webber

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BACKERS

HOME

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ESTHER VARDY DAN LIGHTNING BEN OLIVER AND CARL HUDSON
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