

THE BLACK HEN (Kalo Pothi)

Spring Season 2017

Release: 2015 Cert (UK): 12A

Language: In Nepali with English subtitles.

Runtime: 1 hr 30 mins

Director: Min Bahadur Bham

Writers: Min Bahadur Bham, Abinash Bikram Shah

Cinematographer: Aziz Zhambakiev

Cast: Khadka Raj Nepali, Sukra Raj Rokaya, Jit Bahadur Malla



'A gentle, humane and beautifully photographed movie from Nepalese director Min Bahadur Bham... It is set during the Nepalese civil war of 1996-2006. Two village boys try to recover their hen, which had been sold without their knowledge' – Peter Bradshaw, Guardian.

'Bolstered by stirring performances from his cast, Bham and his crew have produced an evocative piece about harsh lives unraveling in a war-torn, rustic land. Mixing moments of humor and tragedy, along with realism and the ethereal — the latter embodied in fantastic dream sequences illustrating Prakash's suppressed feelings of grief and loss — Black Hen is an effective showcase of a promising filmmaker in flight' - Clarence Tsui, Hollywood Reporter.

Min Bahadur Bham was born in 1985 and graduated in Nepali Literature and Filmmaking and is a Post Graduate in Buddhist Philosophy and Political Science.

His short film 'The Flute' (2012) and this debut feature were the first Nepalese films presented at Venice Film Festival, the latter winning the Fedeora Award, Critic's Week section.

Min Bahadur Bham is also President of the Independent Film Society of Nepal, Assistant Professor at Oscar Int.

College of Film Studies and Programmer at Ekadeshma Film Festival, Nepal.