

VARDA BY AGNES (Varda par Agnès)



Release: 2019 Cert (UK): 15, F Country: France

Language: In French and English with English subtitles

Runtime: 1 hour 55 mins Director: Agnès Varda Writer: Agnès Varda

Cinematographers: Claire Duguet François Décréau Julia Fabry

Cast: Agnès Varda, Sandrine Bonnaire, Hervé Chandès



Agnès Varda directed 55 films in her 60 years in the industry. She presented this documentary about herself at the Berlin Film Festival this year with film notes that said 'I don't want to do press, I don't want to speak about my work. After Berlin, the film will be shown instead of me speaking!' This became very prophetic when she died a month later, aged 90.

We have shown several of her films here, including 'Cleo from 5 - 7', 'Faces, Places' and 'The Beaches of Agnes' and despite the programming team's normal dislike of documentaries, we felt you would want to see this one. It 'takes the form of an illustrated lecture, it's designed as a swansong, a greatest hits showcase that revisits and consolidates her extensive body of work...Varda's tone remains generously intimate, friendly and unpretentious'



- Simran Hans, Guardian.

Whether you have seen her films or not, this should be fascinating and even...educational!