Film

CAPTAIN'S HEART

Simon Bang, Denmark, 2021 11

94 min. | DK/Documentary











The director sets out to understand his maternal grandfather, the late Captain Goth (1893-1966). In the process, he had to recreate the ship that was the Captain's life and great love. Through interviews with his remaining children, mementoes from his old ships chest, photos and archival material mixed with hand-drawn animations, the film depicts a turbulent time in world history through a man willing to defy submarines, mines, bombing and shipwrecks to serve God, King and country. But after 50 years at sea, the new world no longer accords with the Captain's rules, and his heart is not as stubborn as his will. He can keep the world and its wars at bay, but he cannot control his family and their desire for freedom. Nor can he submit to the new world that has arisen from the ashes of the old.

Basic information

Credits

Original title	Kaptajnens hjerte
Danish title	Kaptajnens hjerte

Keywords	Shipping, Sailors, Ships, Personal history, Goth, Knud, Family life, World War 2, 1910-1919, 1920-1929, 1930-1939, 1940-1949, 1950-1959, 1960-1969
Director	Simon Bang
Screenplay	Simon Bang
Director of Photography	Kim Hattesen
Editor	Thomas Krag, Nanna Frank Møller, Rikke Malene Nielsen, Hans Hank Kristensen, Julie Winding, Anders Refn, Edda Urup
Sound	Rune Klausen
Composer	Mathias Savery
Appearance	Ida Jakobsson, Ulla Bang, Simon Bang
Production country	Denmark
Online release	31.01.2023, Filmcentralen
Comment	Seventeen years in the making, acclaimed storyboard artist and painter Simon Bang in his first feature documentary digs into a painful family story spanning two world wars and a life at sea.
Danish rating	Allowed for children over the age of 11

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