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A FILM BY **KOJI WAKAMATSU**

Japan 2010, color, 85 min., 35mm, 1:1.85, DTS

SYNOPSIS

During the Second Sino-Japanese War, in 1940, Lieutenant Kurokawa returns home as a honoured and decorated soldier... but deprived of his arms and legs lost in the battle in mainland China. All hopes, from the villagemen and women to close family members, turn to Shigeko, the Lieutenant's wife: she must honour the Emperor and the country in setting an example for all by fulfilling her duty and taking care of the 'god soldier'...







DIRECTOR'S STATEMENT

In war human beings are violated, chopped up and burnt by other human beings.

Humans violating other humans. Humans chopping up other humans. Humans burning other humans.

What is the meaning of war? What is the meaning of people killing people for the sake of their country? Where in the world can we find a just war?

Don't forget the stench of blood that covered the earth! Don't forget the smell of burnt flesh! We must not forget... for this is what war is.

Over 140,000 people died in the Hiroshima Atomic bomb attack. Over 70,000 people died in the Nagasaki Atomic bomb attack. 984 class B and C war criminals were sentenced to death. Over 100,000 died in the Bombing of Tokyo. Over 20 million died in the Asian continent.

Over 60 million died in World War II.

CAST

Shigeko KUROKAWA Shinobu TERAJIMA Kyuzo KUROKAWA Shima OHNISHI Kenzo KUROKAWA Ken YOSHIZAWA Tadashi KUROKAWA Keigo KASUYA Chiyo KUROKAWA Emi MASUDA The village chief **Sabu KAWAHARA**The wife of the village chief **Maki ISHIKAWA**Military officer #1 **Go JIBIKI** Military officer #2 ARATA KUMA Katsuyuki SHINOHARA

Director Koji WAKAMATSU Producer Koji WAKAMATSU Co-producer Noriko OZAKI Screenplay Hisako KUROSAWA, Yoshihisa TODA

Deru DEGUCHI Cinematographer Tomohiko TSUJI,

Music Sally KUBOTA, Yumi OKADA Sound Yukio KUBOTA

Editor Shuichi KAKESU Art Director Hiromi NOZAWA

KOJI WAKAMATSU'S SELECTIVE FILMOGRAPHY

Secrets Behind The Wall (1965, b&w, 75') Berlin Film Festival 1965 The Embryo Hunts in Secret (1966, b&w, 72')

Violated Angels (1967, b&w, 56') Cannes Film Festival Directors' Fortnight 1971

Season of Terror (1969, b&w /color, 78')

Violent Virgin (1969, b&w /color, 66')

Running in Madness, Dying in Love (1969, color, 72')

Naked Bullet (1969, b&w /color, 72')

Go Go Second Time Virgin (1969, b&w /color, 65')

Sex Jack (1970, n&b/color, 70') Cannes Film Festival Directors' Fortnight 1971-

Shinjuku Mad (1970, b&w /color, 66')

Red Army / PFLP: World War Declaration (1971, b&w, 80')

Ecstasy of The Angels (1972, b&w /color, 89')

Pool Without Water (1982, color, 103')

United Red Army (2008, b&w /color, 190') Berlin Film Festival 2008

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