

Michel, Actor Loses the Words

Original title: Michel, acteur verliest de woorden

In 2014, actor Michel van Dousselaere (born 1948 in Ghent) was diagnosed with a rare form of progressive aphasia, a brain disorder that affects the language centre. The film shows how he deals with this loss of language and of the profession he practiced for more than 30 years. Against all odds, Michel takes on one last role. His wife Irma Wijsman helps him to find new ways of expression and to stay focused. In their search, friends and colleagues draw close and talk about the unimaginable situation of no longer being able to grasp the words that elusively disappear. Showing the events in the first years after the diagnosis, the film makes clear how language defines our identity and what it means to redefine oneself.

CREDITS

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CAST: Michel Van Dousselaere

EDITING: Patrick Minks

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TECHNICAL SPECS

RUNNING TIME: 84'

AVAILABLE IN: 2D

ASPECT RATIO: 16:9

SOUND FORMAT: stereo (2.0)

RELEASE FORMAT: Apple ProRes 422

COLOUR: Colour

MORE INFO

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CREATION DETAILS

TYPE: Film

PRODUCTION SHARE: Minority Flemish co-production

YEAR OF PRODUCTION: 2018

PRODUCTION STATUS: Completed

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