Presents
DEEP IN VOGUE

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SHORT SYNOPSIS
Manchester’s Vogue ball scene is revealed in this documentary exploring notions of love, community and creativity, as preparations are underway for an upcoming competition. This is a celebration of the queer heroes of this scene, which takes its inspiration from the US model of competing Houses.

LONG SYNOPSIS
A film about Northern Vogue and its people. Deep in Vogue celebrates the colorful, queer, emotional and political stories of Northern Vogue and its people. Synonymous with the black, gay ballrooms of 1980s New York this documentary asks why we need Vogue in Manchester now more than ever. Over the course of a year, film makers Dennis Keighron-Foster and Amy Watson charted the buildup to the Manchester ICONS Vogue Ball. Exploring themes from the internal politics of Vogue to its external politics like disenfranchisement of black youth, LGBT issues, a shrinking welfare state, a dearth of art spaces and modes of expression, a reductive and commercialized gay scene and a lack of safe spaces for the truly different. DEEP IN VOGUE is about people coming to love and accept themselves, finding a new family through vogue. The film explores the history of vogue and ballroom, in which Black and Latinx gay men and trans people sought an aspirational artistic outlet in the 1980s, in much the same way that gay, queer, trans and QTIPOC people seek a safe space today.

DIRECTOR’S STATEMENT
Over the course of a year we developed a relationship with the House Mothers and members and charted the buildup to the Manchester ICONS Vogue Ball. We’ve explored themes from the internal politics of Vogue to its external politics like disenfranchisement of black youth, LGBT issues, a shrinking welfare state, a dearth of art spaces and modes of expression, a reductive and commercialized gay scene and a lack of safe spaces for the truly different. We also looked at personal stories; people coming to love and accept themselves, young mothers gaining back their sense of self, people receiving applause, adulation and respect for the first times in their lives after years of bullying and abuse from their peers, people abandoned by their families finding a new family through Vogue. We discovered that a lot of the reasons that gay black men were seeking an aspirational artistic outlet through Vogue in the 1980s, were the same reasons that Northern youth was seeking Vogue now; social persecution for their sexuality and way of life, rejection from their family and a need for a safe space in which to express themselves as LGBT and POC people.

CREW BIOGRAPHIES
Amy Watson (DIRECTOR AND PRODUCER) used to make commercials until her mind exploded and she decided to only make things she believed in and that she thought other people might like too. She works full time as a gardener at a British stately home (really) and does film making around that.

Dennis Keighron-Foster (DIRECTOR AND PRODUCER) is a queer single papa of twins with a background in interior design. His ambition has always been to tell people’s stories and he is therefore surprised that this is his first documentary. Amy and Dennis met at a rave five years ago, fell in platonic love and made a film about their shared love of the Manchester ballroom scene. This is their first film and was self-funded, independent of any production company or business sense.
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CREDITS

Directed & Produced by Darren Pritchard
Shaun Atherton
Liam Acton
Dan McPake
Gareth Taylor
Ben Oliver
Simon Ospina
Stamos Triantafyllos
Carl Hudson
Esther Vardy
Dan Lightning
Phil Curtis
Philip ‘Sniper ’Hurst
Aden Bryan
Charlie Murray
Grace Oni Smith
Roxanna Gillani
Esme Caulfield
Rebecca Sanderson
Howie Martinez
Hannah Lovett
Marcelo Sandoval
Gabriel McPhillips
Eddie Robson
Lauchlan Scott
Kier Stewart
Danny Shah
Charlie Vallance
Mike Mullan
Mark Horrobin
Liam Acton
Chris Ball
Tom Spawton
Pip Rustage
Sarah Holder - Taste The Love

Amy Watson & Dennis Keighron-Foster
Vogue Ambassador
Director of Photography
Editor
Lighting Camera Op
Lighting Camera Op
Focus Puller & Camera Op
Focus Puller & Camera Op
Steadi cam Op
Camera Op
Camera Op
Camera Op
Camera Op
Gaffer
Camera Assistant
Make-Up Artist
Make-Up Artist
Make-Up Artist
1st AD
Runner
Runner
Runner
DIT
DIT
Sound Mixer
Sound Recordist
Sound Recordist
Sound Recordist
Colorist
Sound Editor
Graphics
Titles
Official Photography
Catering
MUSIC

"Like A Fool"
Written by Chris Todd, Danielle Moore, Jim Baron, Matthew Klose and Tim Davies
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of K7

“One True Light”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of Classic Music Company

“We can only be who we are”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of 20/20

“Your Dark Energy”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of 20/20

“Something More (Hot Toddy Percky Dub)”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of K7

“Magnetise”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of K7

“A Little Something”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of Paper Recordings

“Beatbox (Burnski Remix”)”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
Courtesy of 20/20

“FLICKA PUMPED (Ft. Chazzi Mizrahi)”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by Chazzi Mizrahi and CVNT TR4XXX
   Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“Walk Talk Dance Sing”
Written by Crazy P
Performed by Crazy P
   Courtesy of K7

“New Jersey Drive”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
   Courtesy of Elite Beatz Records

“Super Moon (BLASTAH Remix Ft. Diavoli S’vere)”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
   Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“Can’t Hide From House”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
   Courtesy of Elite Beatz Records

   “Changes”
   Written by Crazy P
   Performed by Crazy P
   Courtesy of 20/20

   “Echo”
   Written by Crazy P
   Performed by Crazy P
   Courtesy of K7

   “Eruption”
   Written by Crazy P
   Performed by Crazy P
   Courtesy of 20/20

   “Witch Doctor”
   Written by Crazy P
   Performed by Crazy P
   Courtesy of K7
“TeleKuntz (Ft. CVNT TR4XXX)”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

“MAK3 LOVE”
Written by CVNT TR4XXX
Performed by CVNT TR4XXX
Courtesy of Elite Beatz

ARCHIVES
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Oddball Films
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Historic Films
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HOUSES AND PARTICIPANTS
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Liam Toner

HOUSE OF DECAY
Joshua Hubbard
Grace Oni Smith
Phoenix Chase-Meares
Aston/Astina Mandella
Sarah Hobson
Anna Engerström
Paulina Schoochulska
Simon Peters
Ted Rogers

HOUSE OF Ghetto
Kamille Ghetto
Lauren Ghetto
Lenai Ghetto
Darren H Ghetto
Jecoliah Ghetto
Nadia Ghetto
Karyse Ghetto
Rennae Ghetto
Remon Feni  
Dave Wall  
Sharon Chapman

HOUSE OF CARDS  
Paul S Ferns  
Michael Williams  
Geogria Dyke  
Jade Wood  
Annie-May D’Aracky  
Jodie Nolan  
Liam Jones  
Faye Duffy

HOUSE OF SUAREZ  
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Gordon Webber

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Shelley Rimmer
Mark Jewitt
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