
THE DARKEST PLACES GIVE RISE
TO THE GREATEST HEROES
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2024
BUCHA
UNBROKEN
BASED ON A TRUE STORY
MUSIC BY ISA MELIKOV
CASTING BY ORYNA PETROVA
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EXECUTIVE PRODUCER SERHII DEMYDOV
DIRECTOR OF PHOTOGRAPHY EUGENE KIREY
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SCREENPLAY BY OLEKSANDR SHCHUR
DIRECTED BY STANISLAV TILNOV
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Bucha Unbroken





Synopsis

Bucha is based on the true story of an unlikely hero and refugee from Kazakhstan who, in the spring of 2022, risked his life to save hundreds of Ukrainians in Bucha and other cities and towns occupied by Russian troops.

The year is 2022. Konstantin Gudauskas, a Lithuanian Jew born in Kazakhstan, is living in Bucha where he was granted asylum by Ukraine after being kicked out of his country by the Kazakh government.

After the Russian invasion begins on February 24th, 2022, Konstantin is able to travel freely to the occupied territories and evacuate civilians from there thanks to his Kazakh passport. During the next months he saves 203 people by taking them out of the occupied territories to safety and freedom.

Konstantin observes first-hand the horrors of war and atrocities of the Russian occupation. Among those rescued by Konstantin is the famous Ukrainian composer Igor Poklad. Throughout this time he is advised and guided by a woman, Gaide Rizaeva, a Crimean Tatar, employee of the GUR (Main Intelligence Directorate), who was twice held captive by Russian separatists and was on death row before escaping. She helps Konstantin, but when he stops listening to her advice, tragedy strikes.

Production Details

War-Thriller / Ukraine
120 min / 2024

Production Company
Level

Writer/Producer Oleksandr Shchur
Exec Producers Margaryta Soldatova, Serhii Demydov
Director Stanislav Tiunov

Cast
Cezary Lukaszewicz, Vyacheslav Dovzhenko, Sergey Strelnikov

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