

Wandsworth Amnesty International Film Night



MONDAY 24 FEB • 19:00

The Exhibit • Balham

(12 Balham Station Rd, SW12 9SG)

Tickets £5

LACOMBE LUCIEN

Dir. Louis Malle, 1974

(ENG subtitles • 137 minutes)

In the summer of 1944, small-town teenager Lucien tries opportunistically to join the French resistance but is rejected for his lack of political conviction. Angry and with his pride dented, he joins instead the German occupiers and their French collaborators and soon becomes a thuggish enforcer helping with the round up of Jews to be deported to their deaths. But he then becomes involved with the daughter of a wealthy Jewish tailor...

The film shocked France with its non-judgemental portrayal of the taboo subject of collaboration.

A gripping and sensational film, Lacombe Lucien shows that anyone can be a torturer; everyone has the capacity to commit evil. Pierre Blaise delivers a raw and challenging performance as Lucien in his first ever acting role. The winner of the Prix Méliès in France and the Bafta for Best Foreign film, Lacombe Lucien is a dark, unflinching masterpiece.



Tudor Wright will give a brief introduction to the film sketching in the historical background and its importance in French cinema.

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