

Duality

Двоица

a film by Vladimir Koptsev and Sergei Lukyanchenko

Press kit

Year	2024
Runtime	60 min
Country	Russia

Logline

Two Russian Orthodox priests face the ultimate test of faith when war pits Orthodox nations against each other, revealing how the same religion can nurture radically different worldviews.

Synopsis

Priests of the Russian Orthodox Church, Sergiy and Roman, are the heads of church parishes. Sergiy serves in Russia. Roman serves in Thailand. Despite their common faith and the same order, their mindsets are fundamentally different. The war which has pitted the Orthodox nations against each other is a real test for both of them.

Technical details

Year	2024
Country	Russia
Type	Feature documentary
Runtime	60 min
Aspect ratio	16:9
Colour	Colour
Language	Russian
Subtitles	English

How can the Orthodox faith coexist with war in the minds of people? How can the commandment "Thou shalt not kill" coexist with the blessing given to the Russian "Orthodox Army" for "warfare"? Can a member of the clergy find a way to stand up to the system? Will he want to?

Our master - Alexander Sokurov - once said, "The Church stands on the earth and is nourished by the earth."

We started making our film in Thailand and ended up in Russia. We witnessed how the Orthodox faith is sowed in the heads of parishioners like seeds in the fertile ground. Thai and Russian grounds are obviously saturated with different "fertilisers".

The film has two main characters. The film has two directors. And the name of our film is Duality.

Credits

Director	Vladimir Koptsev
Director	Sergei Lukyanchenko
Writer	Vladimir Koptsev
Producer	Vladimir Koptsev
Director of photography	Anatoli Urvanov
Editor	Denis Nazarov
Sound	Ekaterina Maslova
Music and songs	Vladimir Koptsev
Featuring	Sergei Rysev, Roman Bychkov

Festivals

2026	AI Este International Film Festival Lima, Peru
2025	Artdocfest/Online Online
2025	Sretensky International Film Festival "Vstrecha" Obninsk, Russia
	Roma Spiritual Film Fest Italy

Stills



Still 1



Still 2

Stills



Still 3



Still 4

Stills

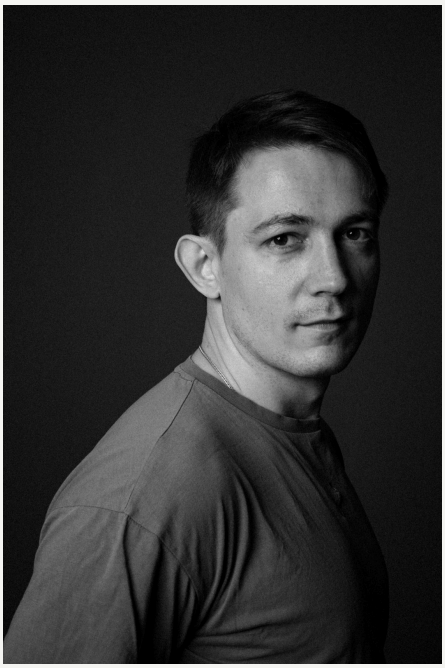


Still 5



Still 6

Director



Vladimir Koptsev

Alexander Sokurov's workshop graduate. Vladimir Koptsev directs fiction and documentary films. Selected at Torino Film Festival, Moscow IFF, Artdocfest, El Gouna Film Festival. Three TV series in development with Lookfilm and Mesto Sily. Former news correspondent and stuntman - used to working under pressure and making fast decisions.

He is drawn to cinema that grabs reality by the throat - through observation, conflict, and precise detail. He makes films about people at a breaking point, where a decision must be made: about power and responsibility, war and memory, family and choice. Documentary and fiction are not a fork in the road for him, but two ways to reach the same thing. The truth.

His teacher is Alexander Sokurov, and the lesson he took from him is this: the author must be honest, even when the whole world is against you.

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