

Film to premiere May 2nd as Closing Night of the Film Society of Lincoln Center's Art of the Real



NEW YORK - April 18, 2017 - NEON has announced May 5th as the theatrical release date for RISK, the latest documentary from Academy Award winner Laura Poitras (CITIZENFOUR). RISK will also premiere May 2nd as a Special Closing Night selection of Art of the Real, the Film Society of Lincoln Center's annual showcase of essential boundary-pushing nonfiction film. The film then opens nationally (May 5th) in theaters across the country including the IFC Center in New York, Alamo Drafthouse Brooklyn, Arclight Hollywood, the Monica Film Center in Santa Monica, Alamo Drafthouse South Lamar in Austin, Alamo Drafthouse New Mission in San Francisco, and the Landmark Atlantic Plumbing Cinema and Landmark West End in DC. Filmmaker Laura Poitras will be participating in Q&A's in various cities across the country. As part of NEON's continued commitment to short films, Josh Begley's, BEST OF LUCK WITH THE WALL, a voyage across the US-Mexico border, will accompany RISK'S theatrical release. Showtime Networks has partnered with NEON to release RISK theatrically nationwide, with a television premiere on SHOWTIME this summer.

RISK marks Laura Poitras's return with her most personal and intimate film to date. Filmed over six years, the film is a complex and volatile character study that collides with a high stakes election year and its controversial aftermath. Cornered in a tiny building for half a decade, Julian Assange is undeterred even as the legal jeopardy he faces threatens to undermine the organization he leads and fracture the movement he inspired. Capturing this story with unprecedented access, Poitras finds herself caught between the motives and contradictions of Assange and his inner circle. In a new world order where a single keystroke can alter history, RISK is a portrait of power, betrayal, truth, and sacrifice.

RISK is produced in association with Field of Vision and First Look Media and is Executive Produced by Sam Esmail, creator of Mr. Robot.

Tickets for RISK at Art of the Real are sale now: [filmlinc.org/risk](http://filmlinc.org/risk).

For tickets and more information on showings nationwide please visit: [www.riskfilm.org](http://www.riskfilm.org)

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