

# PEA SOUP

**DIRECTOR**

Pierre Falardeau  
Julien Poulin

**DURATION**

95:40

**YEAR**

1978

**ORIGINAL LANGUAGE**

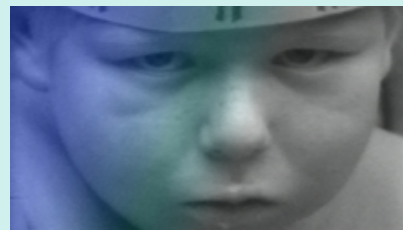
French

**CATEGORY**

With closed captions  
Documentary

**SERIE**

Falardeau-Poulin

**DESCRIPTION**

Pea Soup se présente comme une vidéo ethnographique sur la tribu québécoise. C'est à la fois un collage et un casse-tête où les sons et les images s'emboîtent les uns dans les autres et dessinent le portrait d'un peuple. Les photographies, textes et scènes filmés dans divers endroits, dont des usines, constituent la matière première de cette critique éclatée et virulente des différences sociales et culturelles du Québec. Enfin, c'est une vidéo sur les « pea soups » du monde entier.

**SOUND**

Mono

**FURTHER INFORMATION**

"In 1972, when you began shooting *Pea Soup*, did you feel you were taking on a big job? First of all, it was your first feature-length film...

I remember telling myself at the time that it was the work of my life! The day after the NFB refused us a 16mm camera, we changed course and began shooting in Westmount with a video camera. The film took several years to shoot, you know; it came out in 1978. Sometimes, for several long weeks at a time, we wondered what to shoot and found our ideas in current events. Or we said to ourselves: "We have to go film in factories"; so we looked in the phone book. We found our boot factory on Ontario Street, right nearby. We introduced ourselves as students from some university with a research assignment on footwear. And we got permission to shoot there for a whole week."

LA FRANCE, Mireille. *Pierre Falardeau Persiste et filme*, Montreal, Éditions de l'Hexagone, 1999.

[<http://www.pierrefalardeau.com/content/view/35/1/>] (6 October 2009)

**KEYWORDS**

Essay, Community, Portrait, Critic

**THEMES**

Art and culture  
Identity  
Socio-politics  
Environment

