

HEAVEN OR MONTREAL : THE UNFINISHED VIDEO

DIRECTOR

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DURATION

5:00

YEAR

1997

ORIGINAL LANGUAGE

English (on-screen text)

No dialogue

CATEGORY

Video Art

**DESCRIPTION**

Does absence leave a mark? Is silence heard? Reflecting on the premature death of a young dancer and artist, *Heaven or Montreal* points to unfinished ideas, creating "outlines" of lost energy and imagination. As a finale, it summons all its desperation and asks for silence to speak and stillness to dance. Ian Middleton, its co-author, died in 1993 of AIDS-related causes.

KEYWORDS

Absence, Silence, Death, Imagination, Despair, AIDS

THEMES

Art and culture

Identity

Environment