



INVITATION

The War Archive is delighted to invite you to the showing of the British documentary

Night will Fall (2014, 75`)

On Saturday 21 July at 19.30

The soundtrack of the film is in English. There will be an introduction to the film ,in Greek, by the collaborator and presenter of the Archive, Nikos Mitrogiannopoulos

A few words about the documentary

Upon the start of the liberation of the Nazi concentration camps, camera teams of the British, American and Soviet armies filmed the scenes of horror which their troops encountered. General Eisenhower in particular, took a personal interest in ensuring that the maximum publicity was given to these films, especially after he visited personally some of the camps. Prophetically he declared that “in a few years time no one will believe that these horrors took place, so we better document them for posterity”.

The British director Sidney Bernstein in collaboration with Alfred Hitchcock used the film material so collected in order to make a documentary on the Nazi concentration camps. By the time the film was ready, the powers –to- be decided not to show the film given the effort to “reform” Germany and not to emphasize too much the guilt of the nation. Also the outbreak of the cold war focused attention on other issues. Although versions of the film were shown, it was only in 2010 that all the rushes and components were re-discovered and a sophisticated effort was mounted to produce the film as near as possible to the one which could have been made in 1945-50. The result of this effort is the film we will be showing, a magnificent piece of documentary film-making as well as a harrowing visual experience.

The War Archive is looking very much forward to your presence in this event.

We ask you however to let us know whether you will be coming either by replying to this email at afreeris@wararchivegr.org and/or by contacting Maka Dokhnadze at the phone of the Archive 210-8676390 ,or mobile phone 69-98088220 by latest 19 /8 /2018 as our space is limited.
