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禅 ZEN



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Banmei TAKAHASHI / 2009 / 128 Min. JAPANESE/English subtitles

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Filmpodium der Stadt Zürich

Nüscherstrasse 11, 8001 Zürich Tram bis Paradeplatz / Bäregasse

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The movie describes <Zen> Buddhist teacher Dogen Zenji's achievements in spreading the Soto school of Zen Buddhism across Japan during the Kamakura period, 750 years ago. Having lost his mother as a young boy, Dogen travels to China in search of a Buddhist master. He goes through ascetic training under Zen monk Ju-ching (Zheng Tianyong). After finally attaining enlightenment, he returns to Japan to spread Zen Buddhism, where he gains the adoration of the broad public. This provokes jealousy among the monks from Mt. Hiei, who drive Dogen out to Echizen, where he establishes Eihei-ji temple and continues to educate his students. One day he is summoned by the regent of the shogunate, Hojo Tokiyori (Fujiwara Tatsuya), who requests Dogen to free him from visions of vengeful apparitions.

Regisseur: Banmei TAKAHASHI / Autor: Tetsuo OTANI / Musik: Ryudo UZAKI / Haseo NAKANISHI /
Kamera: Noriyuki MIZUGUCHI / Produktion: Satoshi KANNO / Shigeji MATSUURA

Schauspieler: Kantaro NAKAMURA als Dogen / Yuki UCHIDA als Orin / Tatsuya FUJIWARA as Hojo Tokiyori /
Ryushin TEI als Ji-uen & Minamoto Kugyo / Tianyong ZHENG als Ju-ching



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