

Basic Detail Report



Michael Hamburger

Date

2007

Primary Maker

Tacita Dean

Medium

16mm anamorphic colour film installation with optical

sound One exhibition copy; one archival copy; one internegative; one soundtrack.

Description

Commissioned to make a work in relation to the writer W.G. Sebald, Dean took as her subject the poet and translator Michael Hamburger whom Sebald meets in a chapter of his book, *The Rings of Saturn*. In her 28 minute film Dean concentrates on Hamburger's love of apples while the rambling house, encroaching garden, sunlight, rattling wind and the appearance of a rainbow all act as a metaphor to the man as poet. This acquisition was generously funded by the Department of Arts, Sports and Tourism, 2008. 16mm anamorphic colour film installation with optical sound, duration 28 mins