



Director: **Rainer Ludwings**

Title in English: **Leonids Story**

Original title: Istoriya Leonida

2011/ Germany& Ukraine/ HD/ 18'53''/ Documentary/ Colour

CREDITS

Script: Rainer Ludwings; Photography: Rainer Ludwigs, Ruediger Lubricht; Editing: Rainer Ludwings; Animation: Rainer Ludwings; Music: Andre Feldhaus; Sound: Sven Bien; Leading actors: Leonid Korzh, Lyudmilla Korzh; Producer: Tetyana Chernyavska

Synopsis:

A Soviet family searching for a modest paradise is swept into an immense disaster. This magically animated film combines drawing, photography and documentary video to capture the surreal emotions of the too-real tragedy: Chernobyl 1986. Leonid grew up in the village next to the reactor. The catastrophe broke his life, ruined his health, and threatened his unborn child. Yet his work takes him right into the contaminated zone. This animated film tells his story.

Filmography:

After Completing his degree in Graphic Design at the college of Arts in Bremen, Germany in 1992 with the emphasis on animation and cartoon films, Rainer Ludwigs created television spots at the International Advertising agency, Grey in Düsseldorf. Since 1995 he worked as an independent director and producer in the field of image and company films. This work included firm order productions with 2D- and 3D-animation, TV and Cinema spots, special effects and cartoon films.

Award:

2011; 8th Green Film Festival, Seoul, Korea- Best Short

60th Melbourne International Film Festival, Australia, Swinburne Award of Best Documentary Short Film