

## DECENT COUNTRY

## a film by Loes Gompes and Sander Snoep

Bob van Amerongen and Jan Hemelrijk were 16 and 22 years old when the Germans invaded the Netherlands. When life became too dangerous for their Jewish fathers after the summer of 1942, they arranged safe houses for them to go into hiding.

That act had major consequences. Bob and Jan were soon running a resistance group that was to save the lives of a large group of Jews.

DECENT COUNTRY is a penetrating portrait of this PP Group, which has remained unknown until now largely thanks to the modesty of its members.

That is strange, because several protagonists from the classic Dutch novel "The Evenings" by Gerard van het Reve were based on members of the group.

Why did these young people put their lives at risk? That question is not easy to answer.

idea, research and script **Loes Gompes**, directing, camera and editing **Sander Snoep** NSC, sound **Menno Euwe**, soundmixing and music **Marc Lizier**, online editing **Het Raam / Peter Claassen**, producer **Cesar Messemaker** 

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