

Film title

Bata-ville: We Are Not Afraid Of The Future

Tagline

"A sad film about hope."

Short synopsis

Long synopsis

Bata-ville is a bittersweet record of a coach trip to the origins of the Bata shoe empire in Zlín in the Czech Republic. Against the backdrop of regeneration in their local communities, former employees of the now-closed UK shoe factories in East Tilbury (Essex) and Maryport (Cumbria) are led on a journey that begins as a free holiday but soon becomes an opportunity for a collective imagining of what entrepreneur Tomas Bata's maxim "We are not afraid of the future" means for them in 21st century Britain. Inspired by the contrast between the idealism of Bata and the more recent industrial decline of East Tilbury and Maryport, host / directors Pope & Guthrie lead this unorthodox coach party on a journey through Bata's legacy.

Technical information and credits

Original title: Bata-ville: We Are Not Afraid of the Future

English title: Bata-ville: We Are Not Afraid Of The Future

Year: 2005

Country: UK

Language: en

Subtitles: cz

Running time: 93 min

Dostupnost: 12

Genre: Documentary

Directed by: Karen Guthrie, Nina Pope

Written by: Karen Guthrie, Nina Pope

Edited by: Karen Guthrie, Nina Pope

Cinematography: Doug Howarth

Sound by: Sean Guthrie, Tim Olden

Awards

Actors

Karen Guthrie, Nina Pope

Films partners