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Absolutely Positive

Director: Peter Adair

The U.S. government estimates that there are between 1 and 1.5 million Americans currently infected with HIV. Within ten years, researchers believe, half will get serious illnesses and within sixteen years, half will develop AIDS. In spite of immense media coverage of statistics and medical issues, there has been little exploration of people with HIV. Yet HIV seropositives share—along with those with full blown AIDS-both the terror and the stigma of the disease. Most people infected with HIV learn to cope with the psychological uncertainty of knowing they may get sick at any time. Absolutely Positive is the story of how eleven men and women are living with this news.

Distinguished Documentary Award, International Documentary Association, 1991; Golden Gate Award for Best Bay Area Documentary, San Francisco International Film Festival, 1991.

"★★★★ Exemplary. Timely, trenchant, intelligent...frequently moving and occasionally even funny...these stories are deeply felt, direct and compelling, and so is this film."

-San Francisco Examiner

"Absolutely Positive distinguishes itself by ignoring the activists, doctors and other leading AIDS personalities....the film is an attempt to give voice to the epidemic's common people."

-Bay Area Reporter, San Francisco

1990 USA 87 mins. color film and video

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