

## The ArtReach Collection

ArtReach offer a cutting edge programme of high quality short films created by a range of artists and film makers from across the world.

### *Cine Opera*

by Michael Nyman

20mins



Michael Nyman is one of Britain's most innovative and celebrated composers, probably most widely known for his film score for 'The Piano.' Far more than a practising composer, Nyman now also works in photography and film.

*Cine Opera* was commissioned by ArtReach for *Night of Festivals 2010*, a celebration of Latin American independence and the bicentenary of the Mexican Revolution.

Filmed in the heart of Mexico City and set to an existing music score by the artist, this piece explores an elaborate 1940's cinema in the state of tragically beautiful disrepair.

See the trailer to *Cine Opera* here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pC4d7-k0k1o>

## Digital Artworks

Various Artists

15mins



A curated piece of moving image work by Latin American Artists. The following short pieces explore concepts of freedom, liberation and symbolism in Latin American culture:

### Lourival Cuquinha - *Varal*

Lourival presents a short video work narrating the journey of his *Varal* (*Shaft*) urban interventions – huge shafts of clothes hung both inside and outside of cities across the world.

The creation of *Varal* is in response to the habit of the people who live in the Santo Amaro community, Northeast of Brazil who modify their landscape with the rows of clothes they hang out to dry. Re-using this action and giving it gigantic dimensions, Neto explores social habits and their representations.

For each *Varal* intervention, Lourival collects clothes donated by Latin American citizens, sewing them on a cord rope and creating a huge ‘shaft’ which is then installed in visually arresting settings across the world.

### Maria Lucia Cattani - *o o o*

Maria Lucia Cattani’s videos incorporate the randomness of nature and the unpredictability of its movements. The artist films random images of nature and, on the basis of those images, finds a certain rhythm or sequence which she explores to open up new possibilities.

In this video, Maria establishes a dialogue between nature and geometry using video images and animation. Radiating circles formed by stones dropping into water, create a new drawn canvas, mapping the spheres of our existence and the making of new relationships.

**Alinka Echeverría - *Lightness of being***

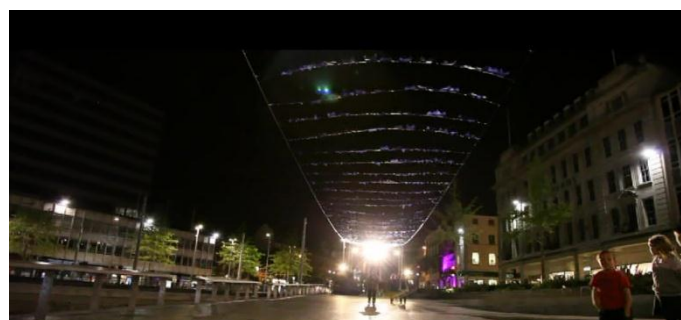
Alinka Echeverría is an emerging visual artist from Mexico. Her short piece, *Lightness of being* is seen through the eyes of a sole underwater spectator during the practice of synchronised swimming, where bodies move in seemingly impossible ways becoming a living picture rich in symbolism; it is a metaphor for liberation from earthly constraints and emancipation from physical and psychological barriers.

***Night of Festivals 2010: Celebratory film***

**8minutes**



A short piece commissioned by ArtReach. The film pays tribute to the values of freedom, artistic expression and creativity in Latin American culture and documents the vibrant *Night of Festivals*, a celebration of the bicentenary of Latin American independence which took place in Nottingham in 2010.



## Terzetto

By Amanda Smith and John Ross

10 minutes



Commissioned by Three Cities Create and Connect, this short film explores the dynamic cities of Nottingham, Derby and Leicester.