

Installation project

Dog Luv

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30'32"

Dog Luv depicts a series of scenes where five dog puppets, members of the "Republic of Dogmachina", explore human psychology and its **love of cruelty** and torture throughout history. The leader of the pack, **Maddog**, presents himself as their teacher but before too long, his disciples turn from theory to practice with him as their target.

Main themes the video touches upon are the relationship between humans and animals, master and student, the have and have-nots of power, **conspiracy** and **betrayal**, and of course **death**. The predominantly black setting and dialogue augment the dark progression of the storyline and dialogues. The language spoken by the puppets is Romanian with English subtitles on the bottom of the screen. The dialogues have been based on a text by Romanian playwright **Saviana Stanescu**.