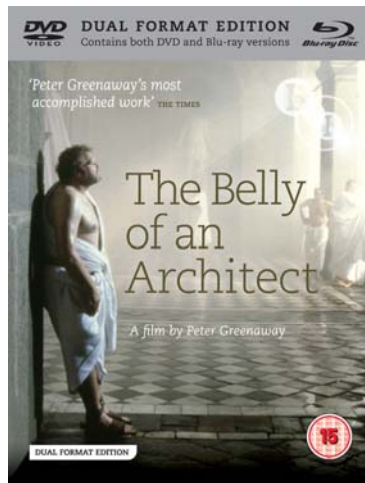


DVD & Blu-ray press release



The Belly of an Architect

A film by Peter Greenaway

“Peter Greenaway’s most accomplished work” *The Times*

Visually striking and formally precise, Peter Greenaway’s fourth feature is a complex and sometimes disturbing film about an obsession that devastates a man’s marriage, health and career. Released by the BFI on 18 June in a Dual Format Edition (containing both DVD and Blu-ray versions), *The Belly of an Architect* is newly mastered to HD and presented for the first time on Blu-ray.

Distinguished American architect Stourley Kracklite (a nuanced, muscular performance by **Brian Dennehy**), is invited to Rome with his young wife, Louisa (**Chloe Webb**), to supervise an exhibition devoted to his hero, the visionary eighteenth-century architect Étienne-Louis Boullée.

Dedicated to honouring the past, Stourley does so at the expense of his present, driving his neglected wife into the arms of his rival, Caspasian (Lambert Wilson). Wracked with abdominal pains, jealousy and paranoia, he slowly loses his grip on all that is important to him.

Flemish composer and multi-instrumentalist **Wim Mertens** provides the soundtrack, with additional music by avant-garde composer and guitarist **Glenn Branca**.

Extras include Greenaway’s fascinating 1981 documentary, *Insight: Terence Conran*, downloadable documents and an extensive booklet containing a new essay by Michael Brooke and a revealing interview with Peter Greenaway.

Special features

- Presented in both High Definition and Standard Definition
- *Insight: Terence Conran* (UK, 1981, 15 mins): Greenaway’s portrait of the designer and entrepreneur, with an uncredited score by Michael Nyman
- DVD-ROM content (downloadable PDFs) featuring original script, press pack and sheet music
- Illustrated booklet with essay, interview, biographies and credits by Michael Brooke, Donald Ranvaud and Marcia Landy

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UK, Italy / 1987 / colour / English language, with hard-of-hearing subtitles / 119 mins / Original aspect ratio 1.85:1

Disc 1: BD50 / 1080p / 24fps / PCM audio (48k/24-bit)

Disc 2: DVD9 / PAL / Dolby Digital audio (320kbps)

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