



## **I Am Belfast**

**A film by Mark Cousins**  
**With music by David Holmes**

*I Am Belfast* sees celebrated filmmaker, writer and curator Mark Cousins (*The Story of Film: An Odyssey, A Story of Children and Film, Atomic: Living in Dread and Promise*) cast his painterly eye on his hometown, the port city of Belfast. After its recent cinema opening, *I Am Belfast* will be released on Blu-ray/DVD in a Dual Format Edition by the BFI on 20 June 2016. Special features include a making-of documentary and interviews with Mark Cousins, actress Helena Bereen and renowned cinematographer Christopher Doyle.

Beautifully shot by Christopher Doyle (*In the Mood for Love, Rabbit-Proof Fence*) and with a powerful soundtrack by the great Northern Irish musician and composer David Holmes (*Ocean's Eleven, '71, Hunger*), Cousins' film takes viewers on an emotional journey through the complex and sometimes tragic history of the Northern Irish capital, which is embodied as a 10,000-year-old woman, compellingly portrayed by Helena Bereen (*Hunger, Mo*).

Interspersing archive material (often detailing the horrors of the Troubles) with newly filmed footage, *I Am Belfast* is an impassioned and politically engaged love-letter to Cousins' hometown.

**Mark Cousins is available for interview.**

### **Special features**

- *The Making of I Am Belfast* (Timo Langer, 2015, 14 mins)
- *A Conversation with Mark Cousins* (2015, 14 mins)
- *A Conversation with Helena Bereen* (2015, 11 mins)
- *A Conversation with Christopher Doyle* (2015, 10 mins)
- *I Am Belfast: A Cinematic Walk with Mark Cousins* (Takeover Film, 2016, 18 mins)
- Original trailer
- Illustrated booklet with new writing by Mark Cousins and Ian Christie, and full film credits

### **Product details**

**RRP: £19.99/ Cat. no. BFIB1251 / Cert 15**

UK / 2015 / colour, black and white / English language, with optional hard-of-hearing subtitles / 84 mins / original aspect ratio 1:78:1 // BD50: 1080p, 24fps, LPCM 2.0 audio / 5.1 DTS-HD master audio (48kHz/24-bit) / DVD9: PAL, Dolby Digital 2.0 audio / Dolby Digital 5.1 Surround Sound (192kbps)

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