

THE WEBDOC

FADRINES. IS LIFE JUST GETTING MARRIED?

It is an interactive documentary.
You will find films, animated photographs, illustrations and voices of single women: the protagonists.
Women who did not meet the standard to get married and have children.
Women who were criticized, admired, denied, pitied or envied. They will tell you.
Sit back and enjoy.
Grab a tablet and browse.
You don't have a single viewing direction.
You can go back and forth, interrupt or enjoy.
Let yourself go.

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Trailer:
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Video:
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FADRINES

THE EXHIBITION & THE WEBDOC

THE EXHIBITION

IS LIFE JUST GETTING MARRIED?

This is how the project *Fadrines** is explained.

Fadrines explores resistances.

Resistances to a norm: getting married and having children; resistance to stereotypes, applied to silence those women who have acted on the sidelines, out of line, outside the established framework.

Fadrines shows trajectories of unmarried women.

This is, variations of ways of being and living away from the dominant patterns.

The plurality of forms that a life can take, despite the narrow parameters of the social imaginary. All of that combines in this exhibition.

Fadrines is a tribute to those intuitive feminists, who said no to a marriage based on legitimized inequality. It is also a recognition of those others for whom poverty was not an option, but an imposition against their wishes.

Fadrines is a challenge to the forms of feminine non-existence. We invite you to a journey through which we have travelled along with the women interviewed. A journey from stereotype to fullness.

**Fadrines* means unmarried

A FEW ASKY LOOKS A CLOUD OF REJECTION

Lonely, mistaken, sterile, incomplete, deficient, deviated, failed, devalued, denatured, selfish, frivolous, unfortunate

AND POPULAR SAYINGS...

Woman without man,
buttonhole without
button.

A spinster who is
over thirty,
bursting with rage.

Singleness:
lightness and
blessing.

YOKE

The word yoke, in its different meanings, has the meaning of union and subjection, but also of submission and oppression. Yoke is the instrument to bind animals in a joint from which they cannot break free, held to drag the plow or cart.

Yoke is also the veil with which the spouses were covered during the nuptial mass, placing it on the shoulders of the man and on the head of the woman, as a symbol of an indissoluble bond. Yoke is, presented here, a metaphor for one of the consequences of marriage.

THIS ONE WILL BE FOR OLD AGE

Being single as an unavoidable obligation, whether due to family imposition, unexpected circumstances or emotional disappointments.



Dramatization
of experiences
of being single

"They didn't let me get married
because they wanted me
to take care of them"

Revalidating oneself
over others is an attack
on the construction
of gender.

Soledad Murillo

In the house where an
unmarried woman is,
webs aren't spun.

Those who have unmarried
daughters die rich.

UNLEASHED BEAST

Singleness as a space of enjoyment and freedom, women who do not accept fences that surround them, fences that limit their movements.



Dramatization
of experiences
of being single

"I don't want to get
married; I want to be free,
I want to go on my own"

If you aim for a husband
with no faults,
you have to be ready
to be left on the shelf.

Better to be left on the shelf
and dress in saints' clothes
than to undress drunks.

Single loose, loose;
married prison, prison.

WELL FED AND WELL KEPT

Singleness as a luxury, a well-considered option for women with a favourable economic situation.



Dramatization
of experiences
of being single

"If I'd found something
that suited..."

Francoist Civil Code (Art. 59):
the husband is the
administrator and beneficial
owner of all belongings of the
conjugal community.

When a woman has money,
the husband isn't needed.

To be married and eat badly,
it's better to stay single.

For the kings there are
princesses, for the peasants,
peasants.

IT WOULD NEVER SUIT ME

Singleness as an ambivalent state between regret (for not having been mothers) and well-being (for not having married).



Dramatization
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"I didn't fancy men"

Woman, the love that is
asked of you is not of
reciprocal pleasure, but the
compliance of a vassalage.

Maria Aurèlia Capmany

Mother, what is getting
married?
Daughter, it's suffering,
giving birth and crying.